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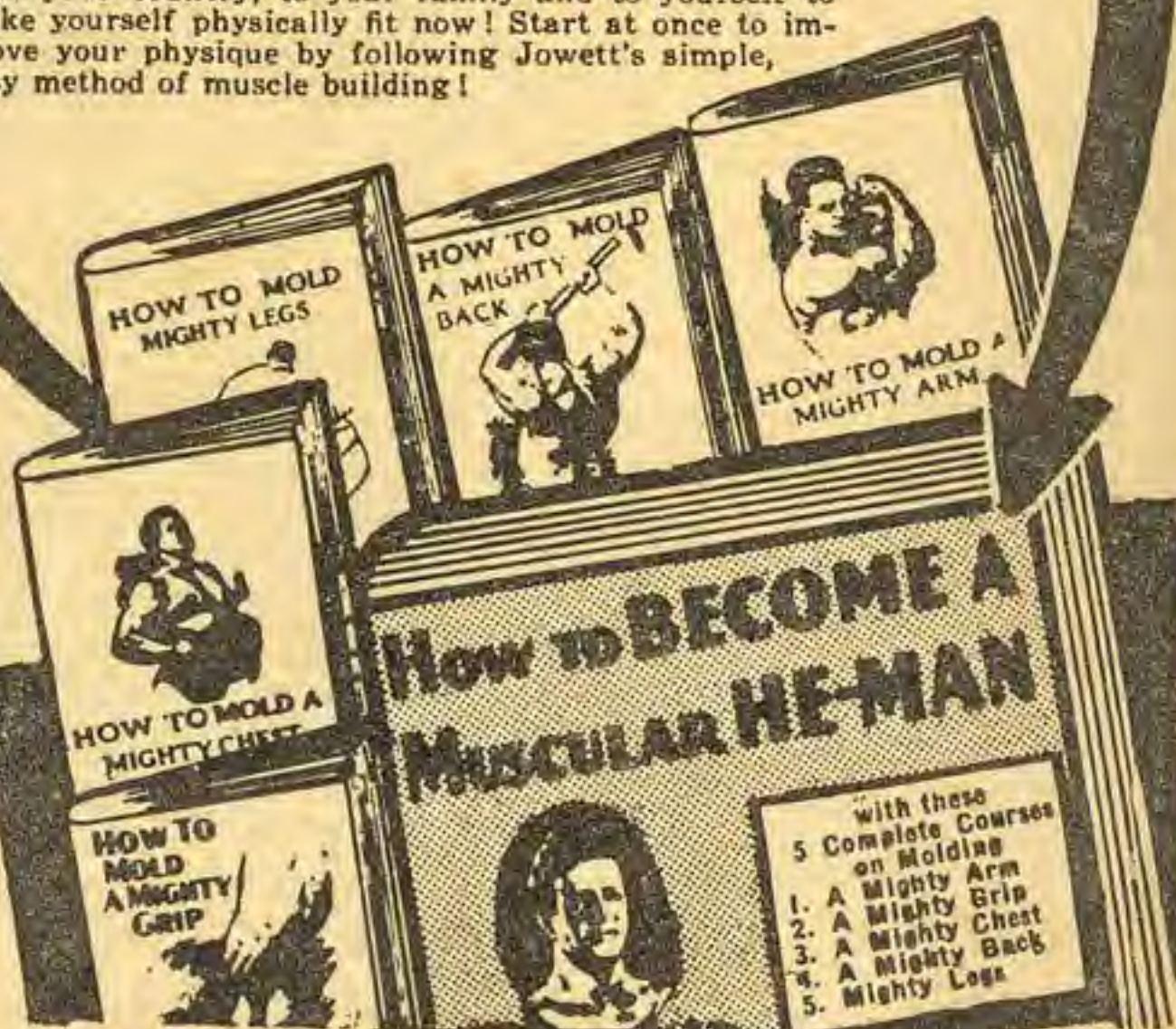


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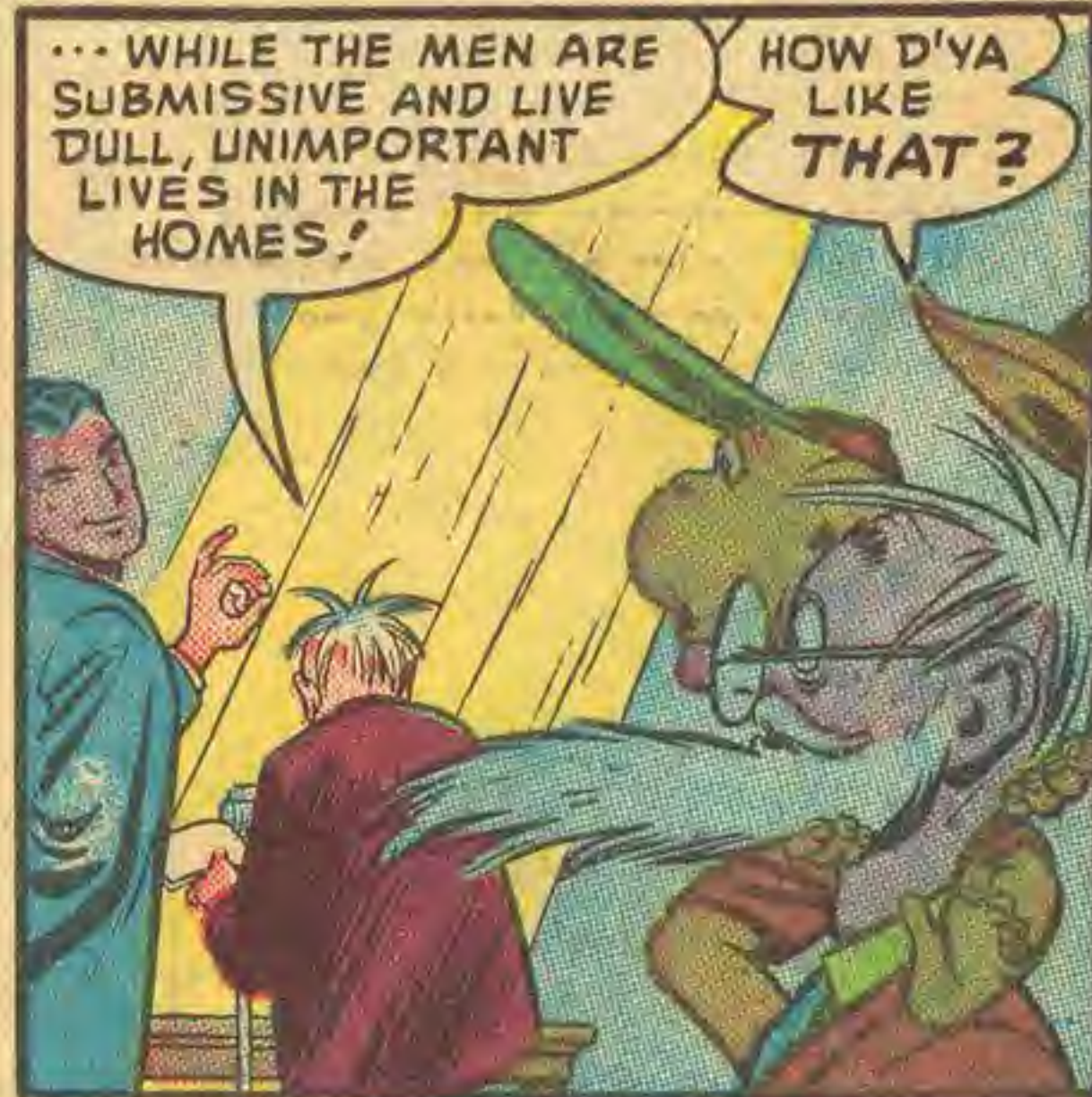
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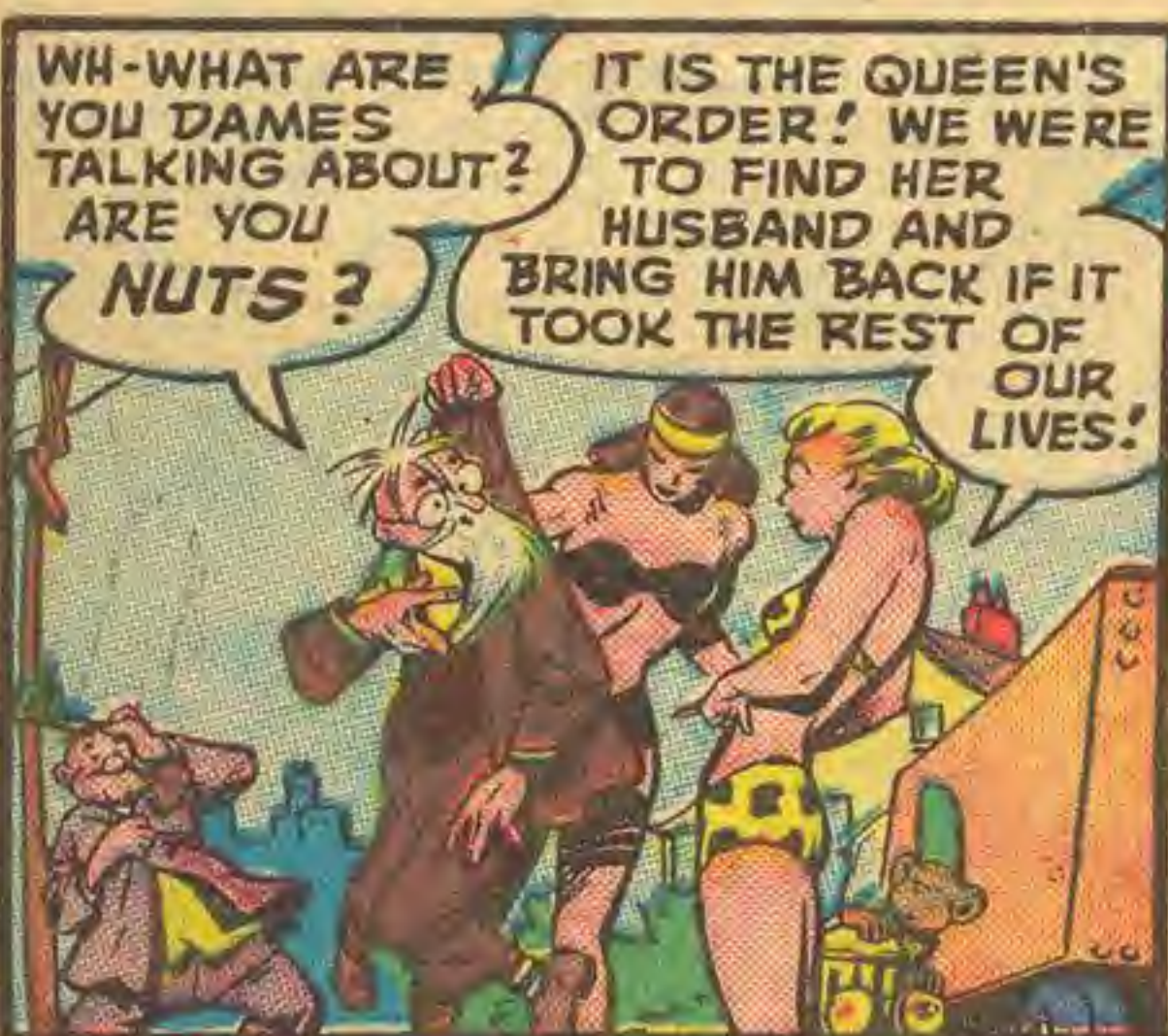


Dave Clark, radio announcer, becomes **MIDNIGHT** whenever occasion demands...and occasion demanded plenty when the amazon queen of FEMALIA reached out across the sea to make a mouse of the man who had been his pal!

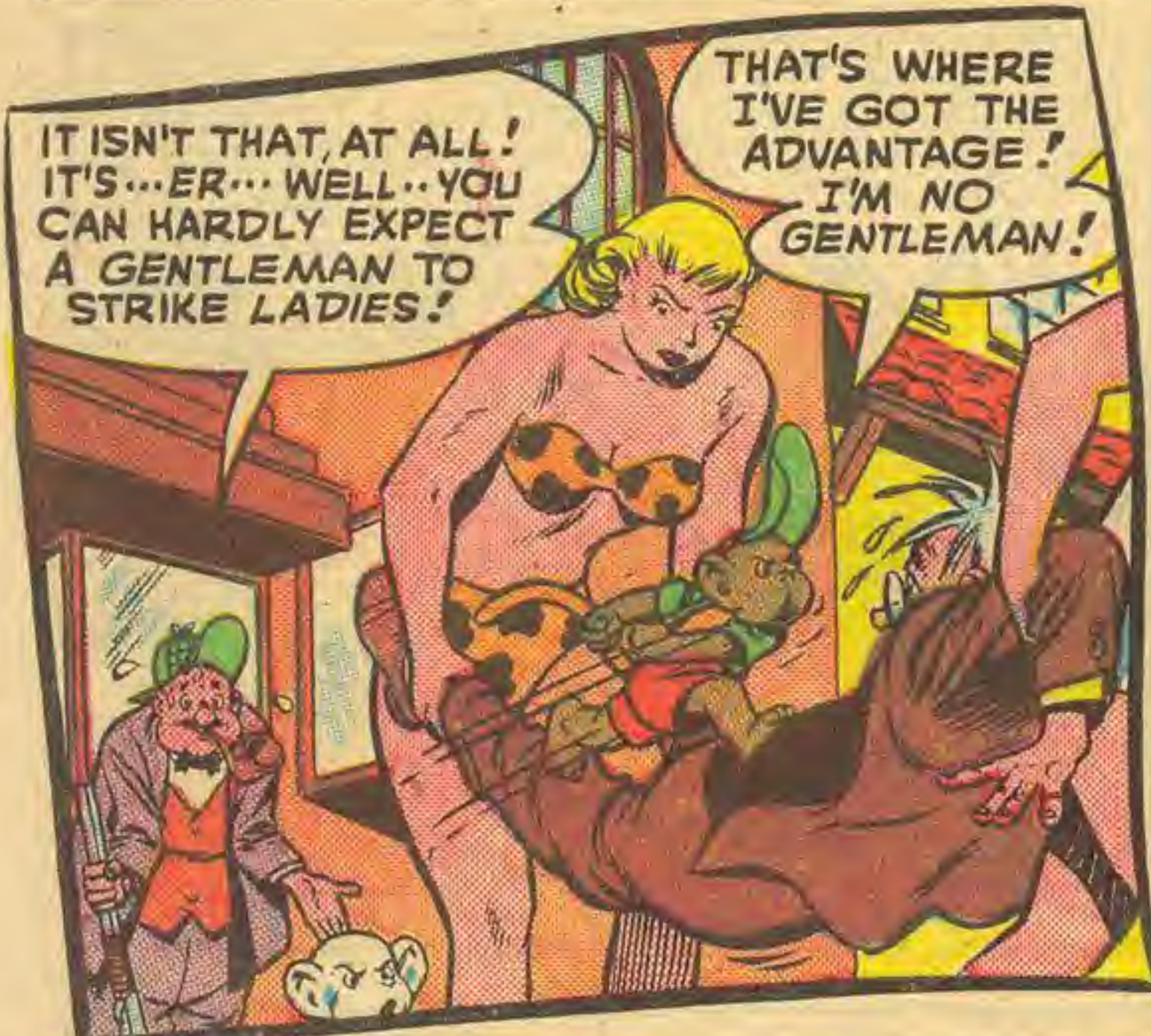
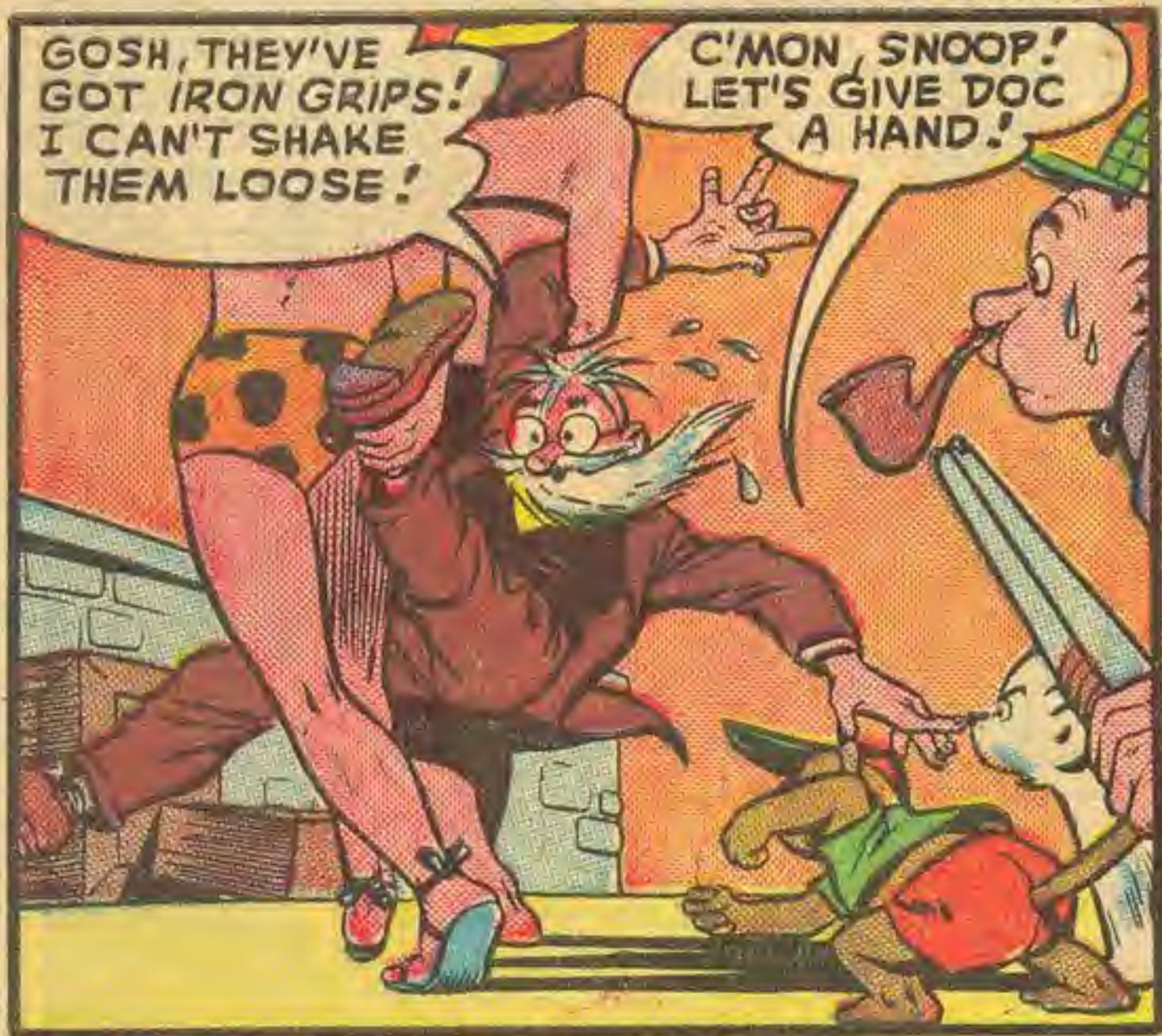






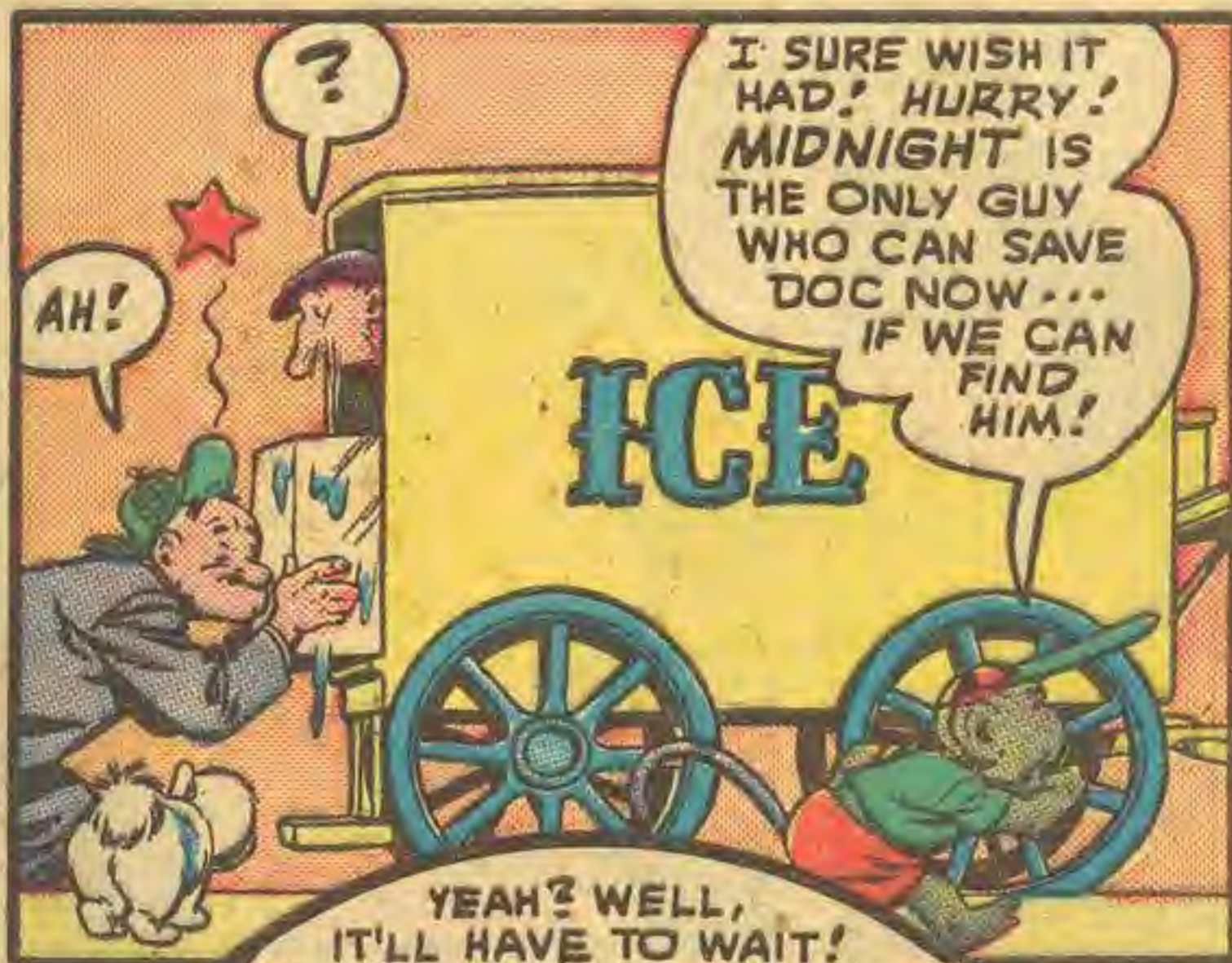








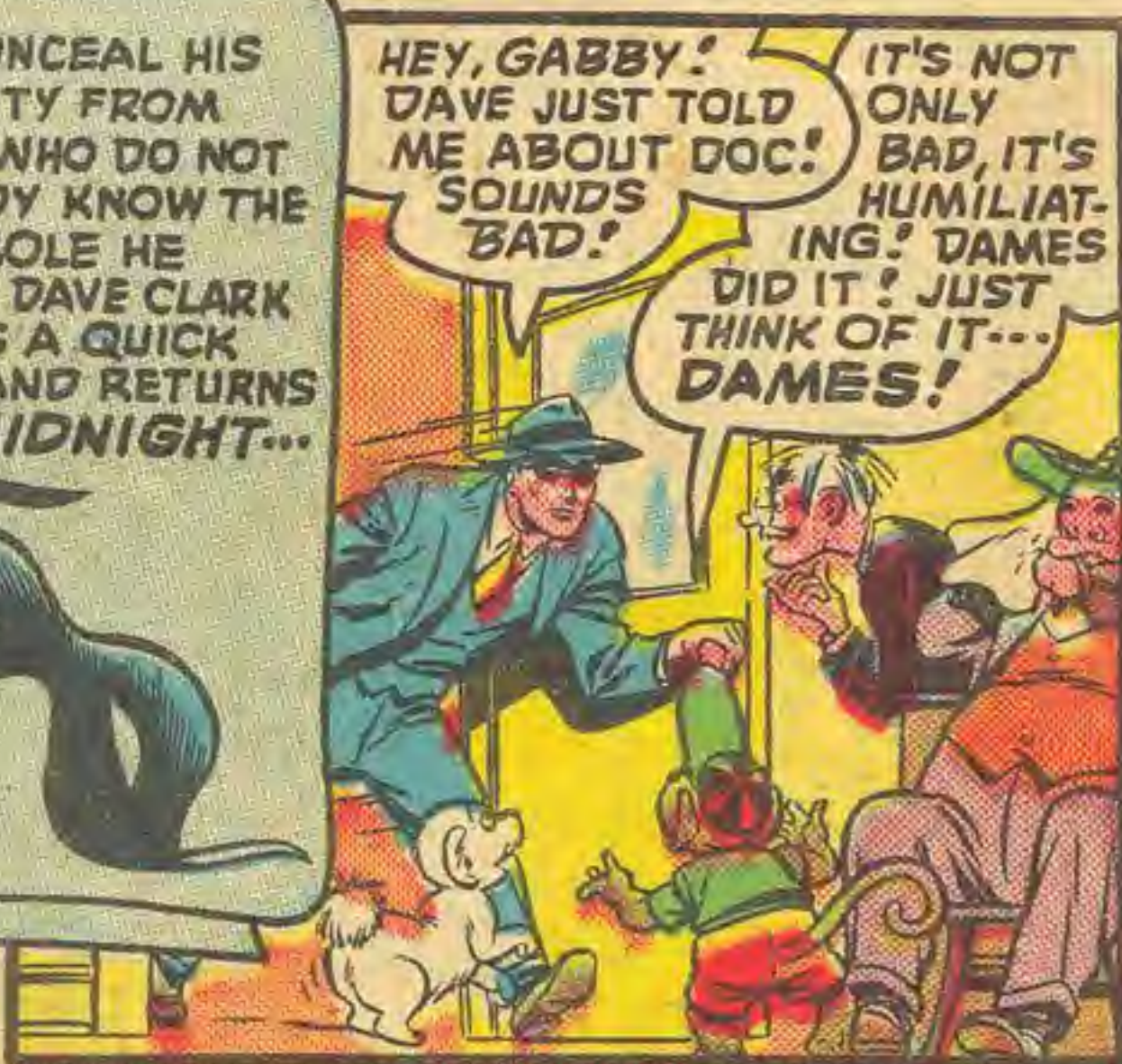
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TO CONCEAL HIS IDENTITY FROM THOSE WHO DO NOT ALREADY KNOW THE DUAL ROLE HE PLAYS, DAVE CLARK MAKES A QUICK EXIT AND RETURNS AS MIDNIGHT...

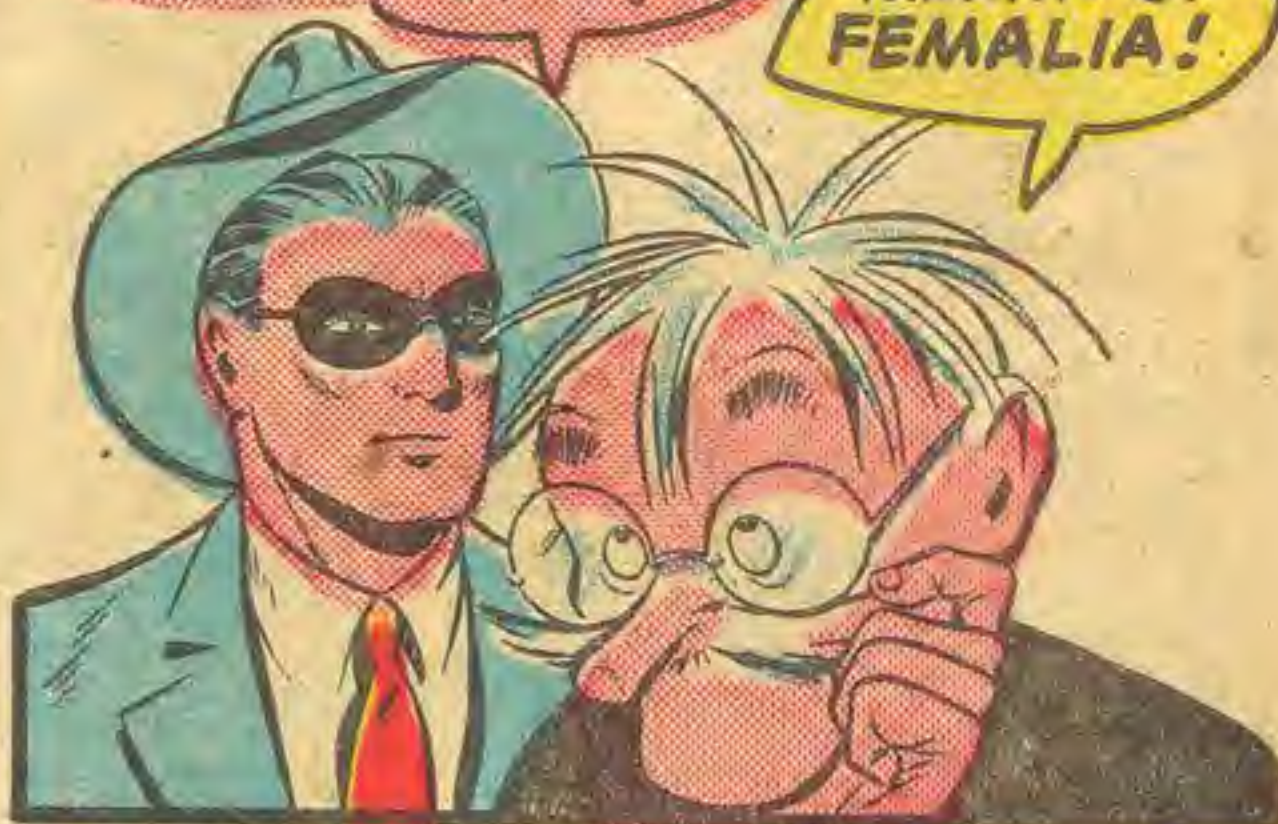


HEY, GABBY! DAVE JUST TOLD ME ABOUT DOC! SOUNDS BAD!

IT'S NOT ONLY BAD, IT'S HUMILIATING! DAMES DID IT! JUST THINK OF IT... DAMES!

YOU'RE ZOGAR! DAVE CLARK'S TOLD ME ABOUT YOU! YOU OUGHT TO KNOW ABOUT THESE WOMEN! WHAT DO YOU MAKE OF IT?

PUZZLING THAT THEY SHOULD BE HERE... BUT I'D SAY THEY WERE SUBJECTS OF QUEEN MENNA OF FEMALIA!



AND THEY'VE MISTAKEN DOC FOR THE QUEEN'S HUSBAND! IS THAT IT?

GULP! WELL... IT'S JUST A THEORY, YOU KNOW! I WOULDN'T DO ANYTHING IMPULSIVE ABOUT IT IF I WERE YOU!



THERE'S WHERE WE DISAGREE! YOU KNOW WHERE FEMALIA IS... I CAN GET A FAST PLANE! YOU'LL SHOW US HOW TO GET THERE!

NO! NO! NOT THAT!



WHAT'S EATING YOU? YOU KNOW ALL ABOUT THESE WOMEN! THEY SHOULDN'T WORRY YOU, AND WE NEED YOUR HELP! DOC WACKEY'S A GOOD FRIEND OF OURS!

I...ER.. I'M NOT WORRIED! IT'S JUST THAT I... I'M NOT THE ADVENTUROUS TYPE!



SURE YOU ARE! COME ON!

BUT....



Later...

OH...I HAVE A FEELING WE ARE MAKING A GRAVE MISTAKE!

MY SENTIMENTS EXACTLY! IT'S NOT EASY TO FIGHT WOMEN!







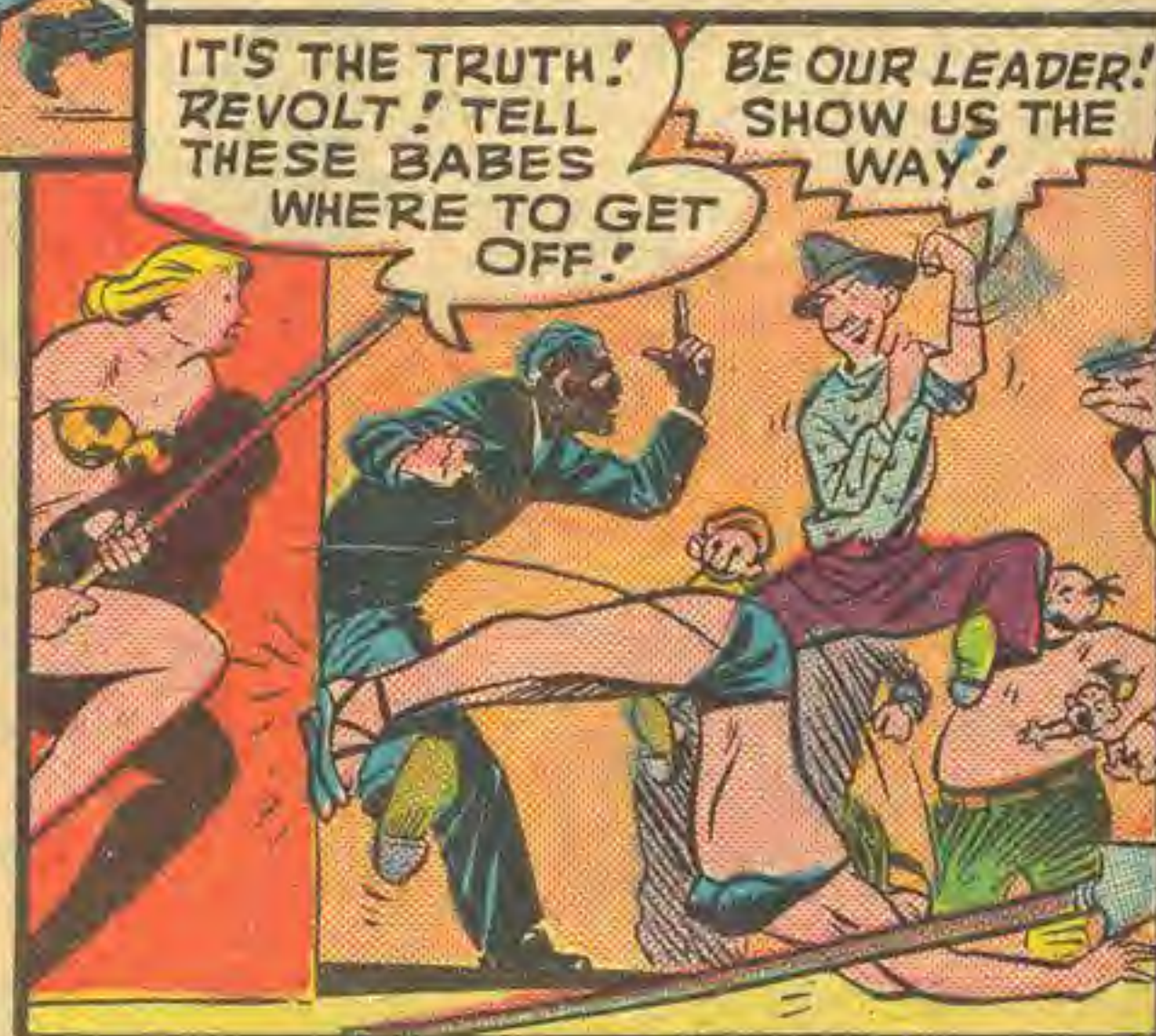












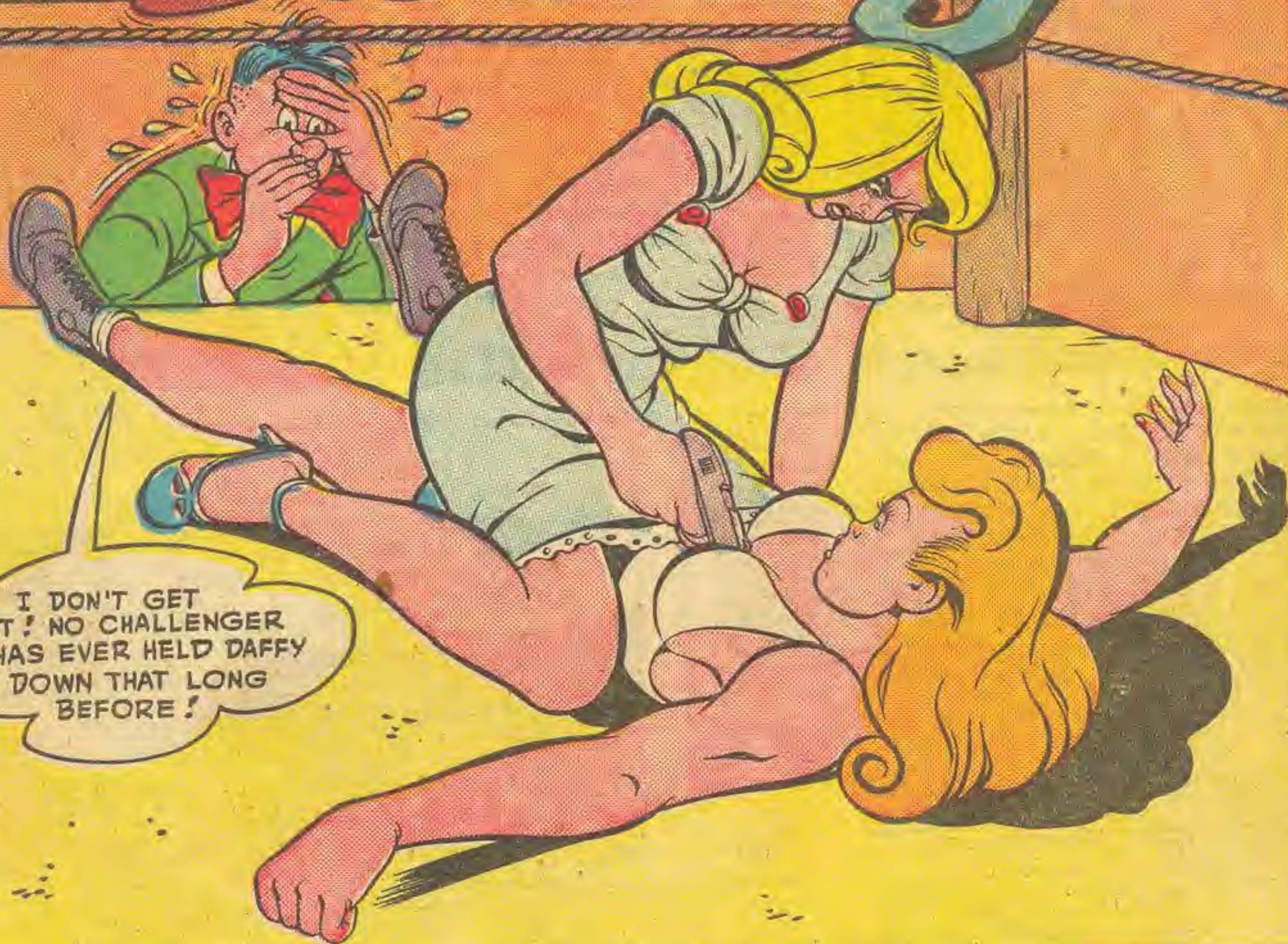


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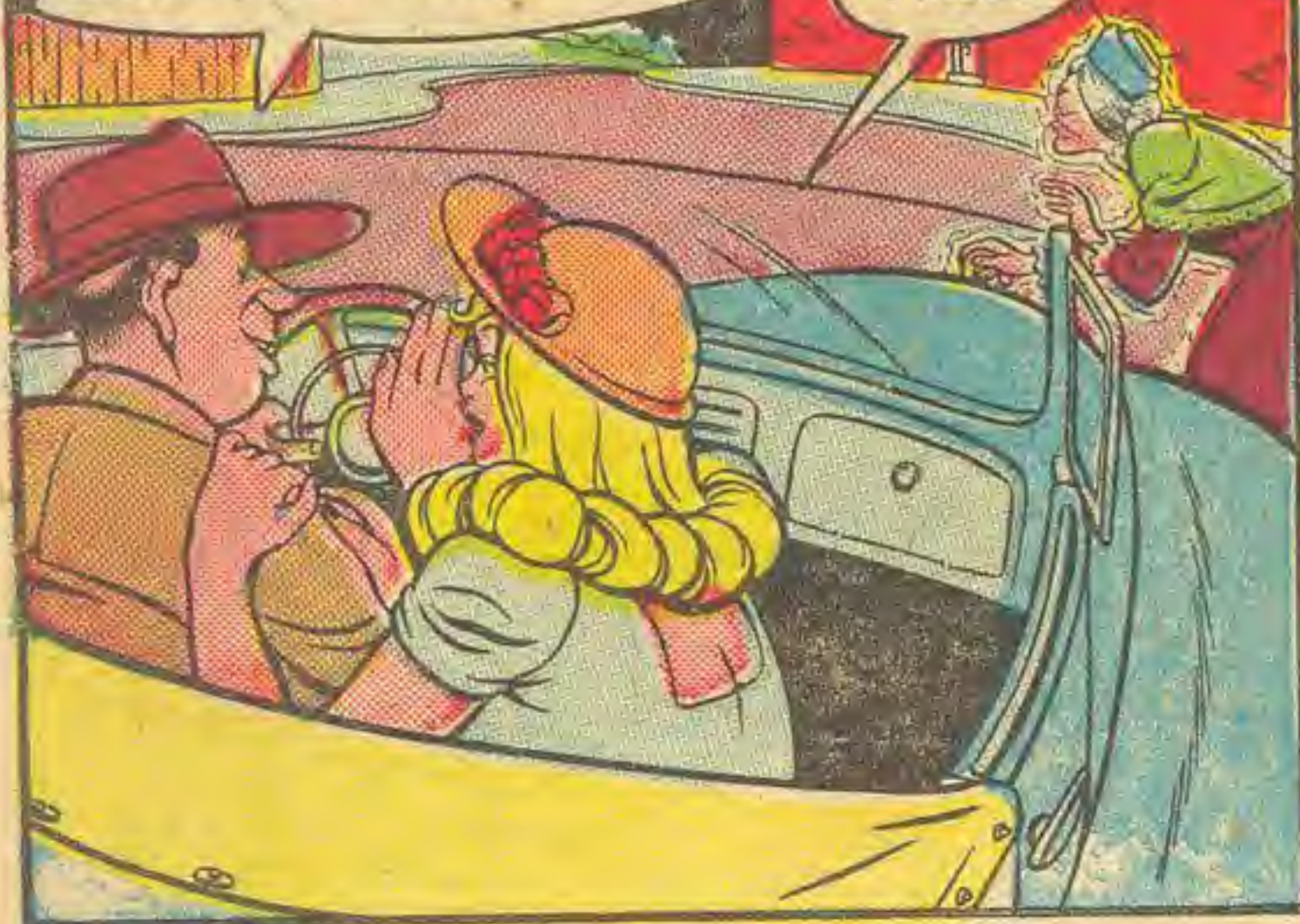


# Daffy



DON'T WORRY, CINDY LOU! WE AREN'T BROKE YET! AND ED BOKE ALWAYS GETS AN ANGLE BEFORE THE DOUGH COMPLETELY RUNS OUT!

I KNOW THAT, ED HONEY! AND I'M COUNTIN' ON Y'ALL!



DAFFY! WH.. WHAT...?

THE OLD LADY, DEKE... SHE DOESN'T SEE THE CAR!







GOT YOU!

GOODNESS ME!

THE SKUNK DIDN'T EVEN SLOW UP!

YOU MISSED HER, HONEY... YO' ALL THINK YOUR AIM'S SLIPPIN'?



OH, WELL, THERE'S NO SENSE HITTING AN OLD LADY! IT TAKES TOO LONG TO GET OUT OF THE CAR AND FRISK HER PURSE! AND IF YOU DO, YOU

ONLY FIND ABOUT FIFTY CENTS!

GOSH, YOU'RE SMART, ED! I DON'T CARE MUCH FOR OLD LADIES MYSELF! SOMEBODY ONCE SAID IF I LIVED LONG ENOUGH I'D BE ONE, TOO! THAT'S WHY!



SAY! HAVE I GOT AN IDEA! THAT DAME WHO SAVED THE OLD LADY... THAT WAS DAFFY, THE LADY WRESTLER! I JUST REMEMBERED!

WHAT AN UNLADYLIKE PROFESSION!



OF COURSE IT AIN'T THE THING FOR YOU, CINDY LOU... BUT WHAT AN ANGLE I'VE GOT FOR A QUICK HAUL! LISTEN! DAFFY'S OFFERING FIVE GRAND TO ANYBODY WHO CAN LICK HER AT THE WRESTLER'S ARENA TONIGHT!

FIVE GRAND? A GAL COULD BUY A LOT OF JULEPS WITH THAT!



WELL, NOBODY'S BEEN ABLE TO LICK DAFFY YET! BUT NOTE THAT THE OFFER GOES FOR ANY CHALLENGER! DAFFY'S KIND TO OLD LADIES! IF ONE OF THEM WENT INTO THE

RING WITH HER, DAFFY COULDN'T HURT HER, COULD SHE?

PERHAPS NOT! BUT WHERE'LL YOU FIND AN OLD LADY WHO WANTS TO WRESTLE?

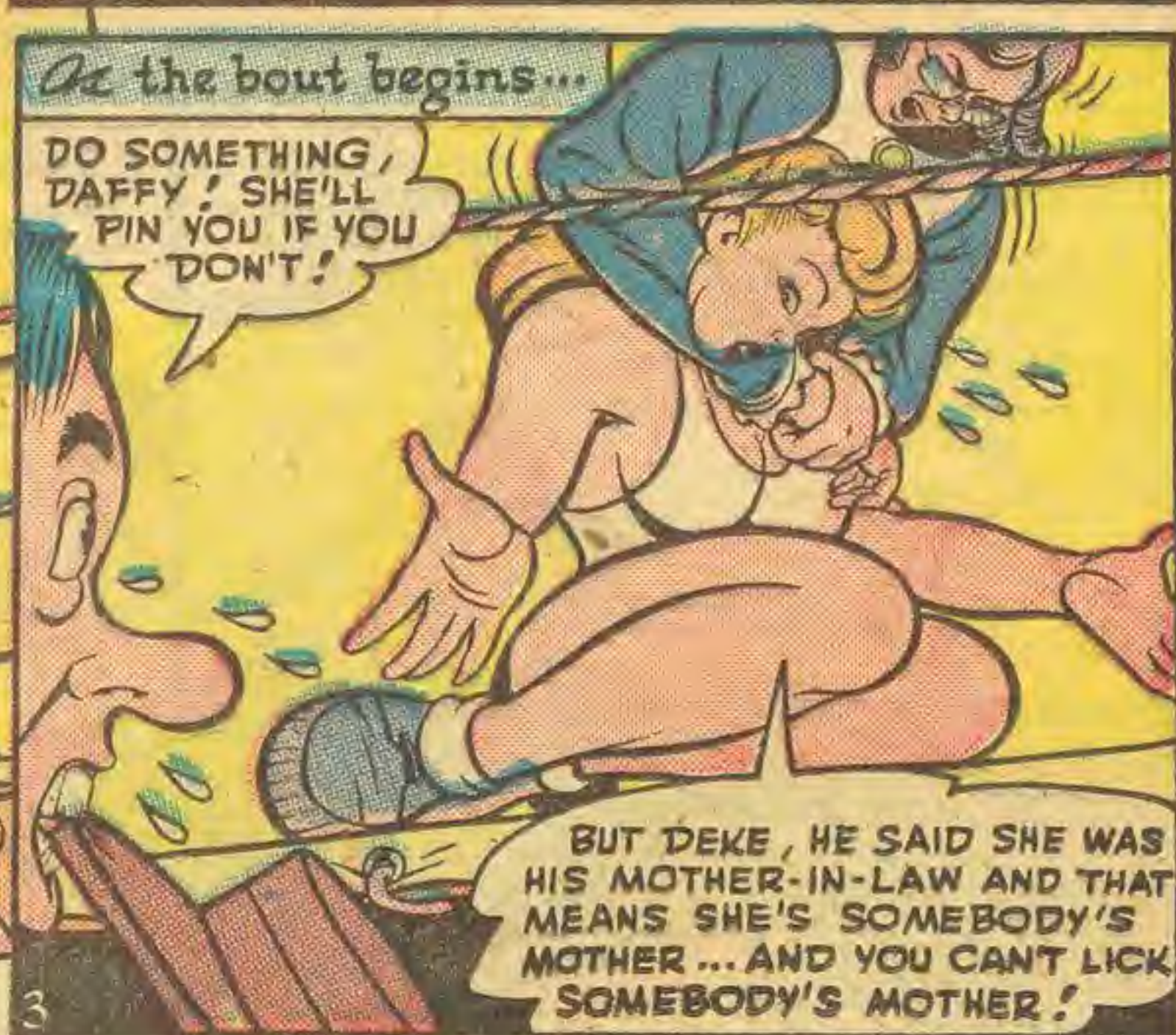
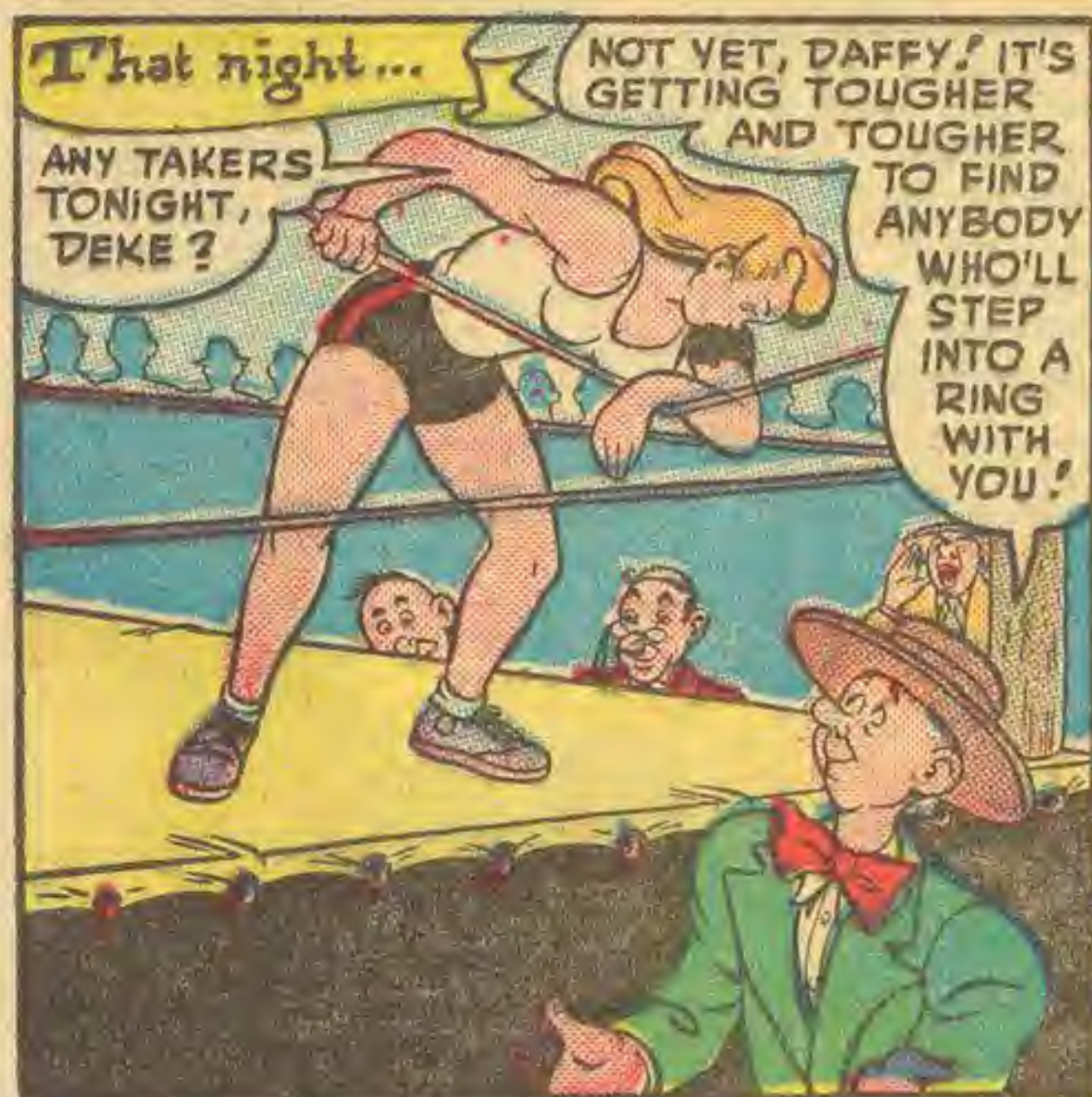


WHY, YOU'LL DO IT, SWEETHEART!

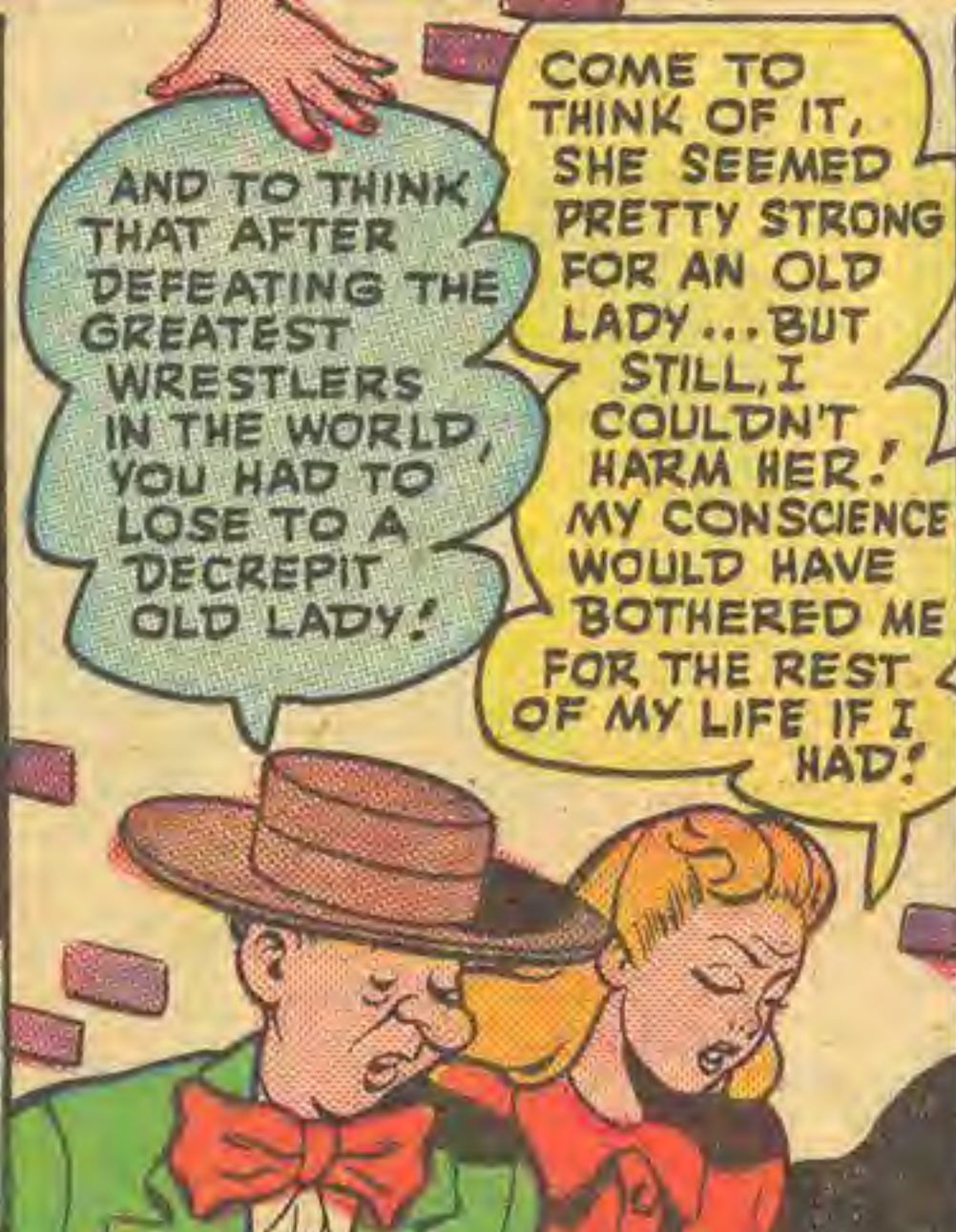
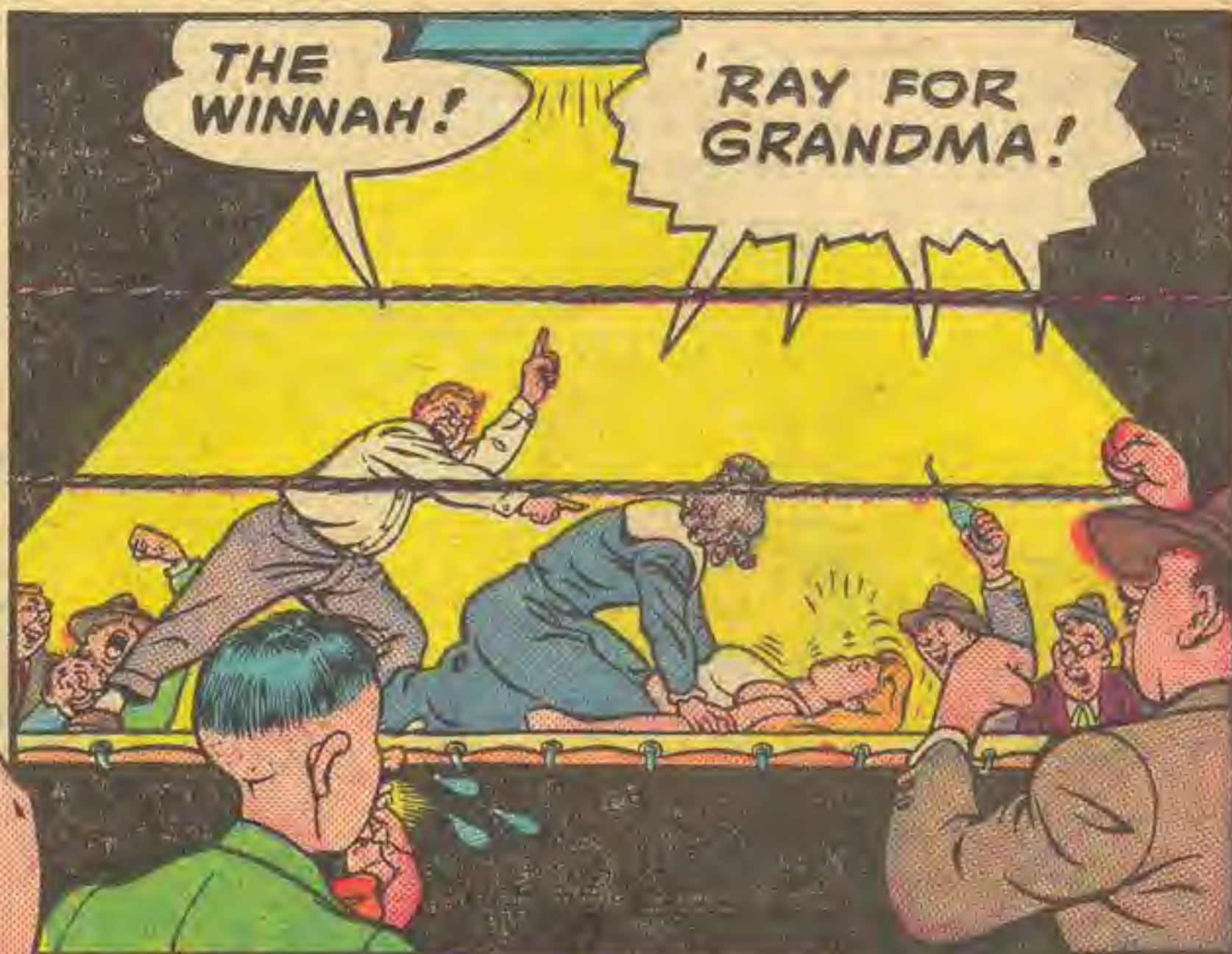
ME? NOW, MR. BOKE, JUST LIKE I TOLD YOU THREE YEARS AGO WHEN I HIT TOWN DIRECT FROM MY MAGNOLIA SCENTED MANSION BACK HOME, I'M JUST TWENTY-TWO AND A HALF!







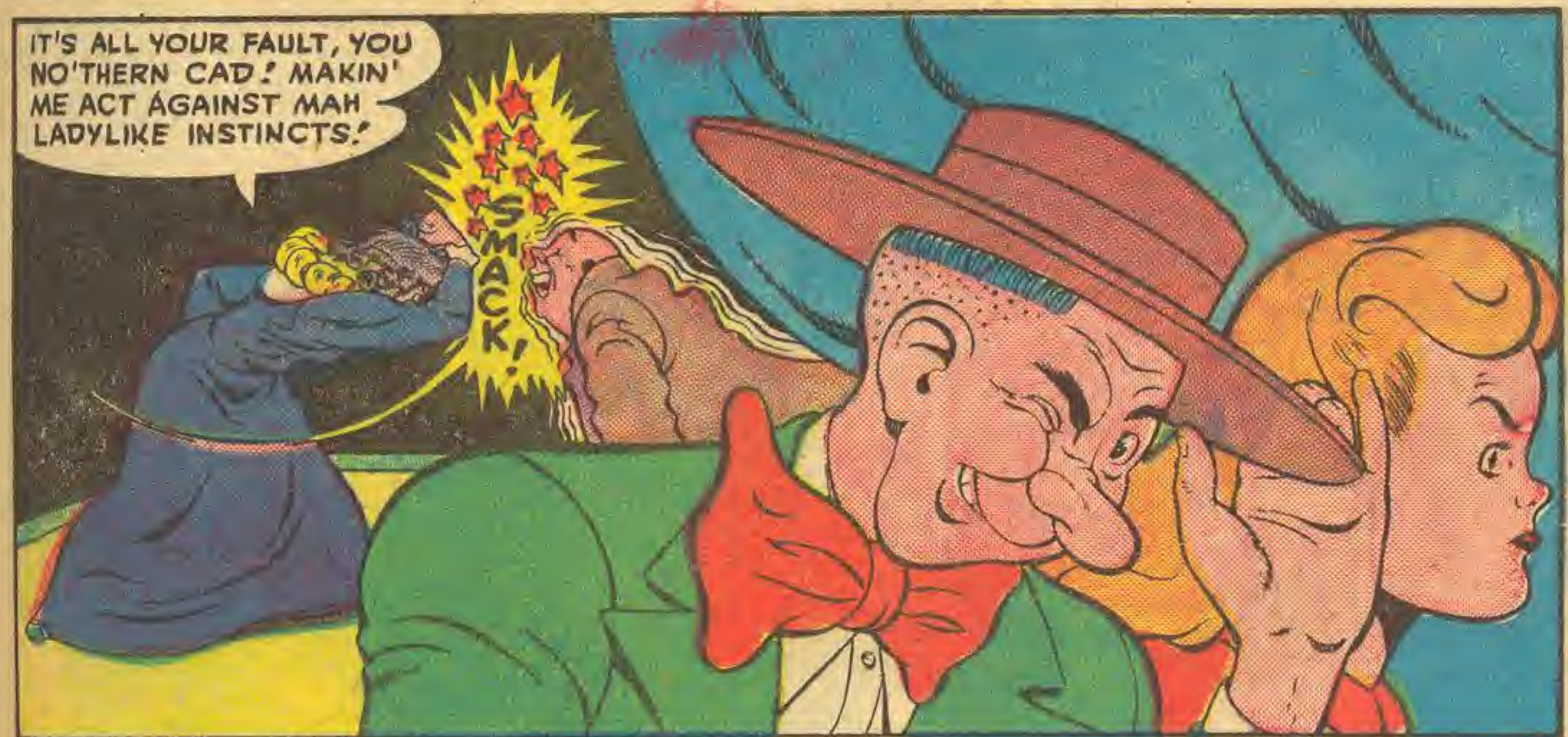
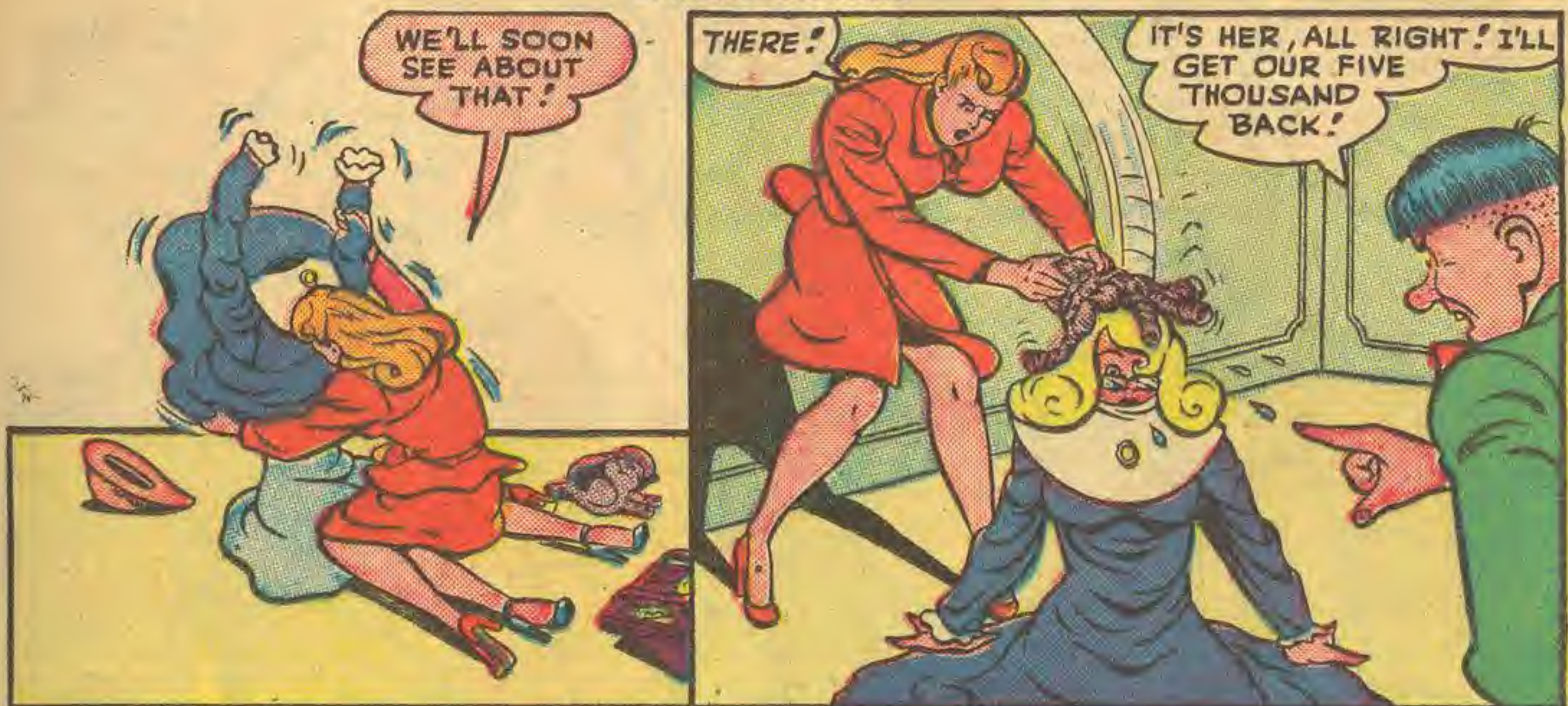














# BLACK X



The Williscroft reception ball was a model of orderly gaiety until.....



I WAS HER PARTNER, BLACK X! BUT YOU CAN'T ACCUSE ME! I'LL SUBMIT TO SEARCH, QUESTIONING... ANYTHING!



YOU ACCUSE ME, SIR? THIS IS AN OUTRAGE! I'LL HAVE YOU ARRESTED... I'LL SUE YOU FOR LIBEL... I'LL...



OH! MY PENDANT...  
IT FELL OUT OF HIS  
POCKET!

AS I KNEW! CALL THE  
POLICE TO TAKE HIM AND  
HIS ACCOMPLICE WHO  
DANCED WITH YOU!



SUCH A THEFT ON THE DANCE  
FLOOR IS HARD FOR YOUR  
DANCING PARTNER TO MANAGE!  
BUT HE CAN EASILY DANCE  
YOU NEAR HIS FRIEND, WHO  
UNFASTENS THE CATCH FROM  
BEHIND YOU AND WHISKS THE  
PRIZE AWAY!

THAT WAS  
BRILLIANT, SIR!  
YOU'RE A  
THINKER AND  
A FIGHTER!  
MAY I ASK  
A VERY GREAT  
FAVOR OF YOU?



I RECOGNIZE YOU,  
SIR... J.D. COBURN,  
THE FAMOUS  
CONSTRUCTION  
ENGINEER!

LET ME TELL YOU A SECRET,  
BLACK X! COBURN IS A  
NAME I GAVE MYSELF!  
TEN YEARS AGO I DIDN'T  
KNOW WHO I WAS... NOR  
WHAT!

AT THAT TIME, I AWOKED  
IN A HOSPITAL... MY  
MEMORY GONE, WITH  
NO IDENTIFICATION, NO  
KNOWLEDGE OF MY  
PREVIOUS LIFE! I  
DIDN'T EVEN KNOW  
HOW I GOT THERE!

PROBABLY AN  
ACCIDENT CAUSED  
THE AMNESIA! BUT  
YOU STARTED OVER  
AGAIN... WORKED  
HARD AND HONESTLY  
TO RISE TO THE TOP  
OF THE ENGINEERING  
PROFESSION!



SINCE WAKING IN THE  
HOSPITAL, YOU'VE BEEN  
A USEFUL CITIZEN AND  
A CREDIT TO THE  
COMMUNITY!

BUT WHAT ABOUT  
BEFORE? LOOK  
AT THIS ANONYMOUS  
LETTER I RECEIVED  
TODAY!

J.D. Coburn, so-called...  
You've done mighty  
well for yourself the  
last few years. How  
about cutting in your  
old pals who aren't  
so rich... but who  
could tell the cops  
who you USED to  
be? Stand by for a  
phone call at  
midnight!

ANONYMOUS  
LETTERS ARE  
SNEAKY! SO ARE  
THE PEOPLE WHO  
WRITE THEM!  
I'LL HELP YOU,  
SIR!





A quick call to Black X's apartment, where his trusted lieutenant waits...



... IF YOU USE MY NAME AT THE HOSPITAL, I THINK THEY'LL TELL YOU! BUT REMEMBER, BATU... NO WORD TO ANYONE ELSE OF WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO LEARN!



MY SILENCE IS AS THE GRAVE, SAHIB! WE MEET, THEN AT COBURN'S!

THE DOOR WAS OPEN, BATU, SO I WALKED IN TO SAY GOOD EVENING TO BLACK X!



AH, MR. BURTON, THE POLICE INSPECTOR! A THOUSAND APOLOGIES, BUT I MUST HURRY ON AN ERRAND FOR MY MASTER!

THAT MEANS A CASE! AS USUAL, BLACK X WON'T CONFIDE IN ME! WELL, SEE YOU LATER!

Beef Burton secretly follows Batu...



HOSPITAL, HUH? WHAT THEY TELL HIM, THEY'LL TELL ME!



YES, INSPECTOR, HE CAME FOR RECORDS ON AN AMNESIA CASE WE HANDLED TEN YEARS AGO! THE PATIENT RECOVERED IN ALL BUT MEMORY! HE'S KNOWN TODAY AS J.D. COBURN!

THE BIG-SHOT ENGINEER? I'M STAYING ON THIS TRAIL!

Batu comes to Coburn's house, as ordered...



I KNOW THAT GUY... HE WORKS FOR BLACK X!

SO COBURN'S ASKING FOR HELP, HUH? BEST AND QUICKEST WAY IS FOR US TO RUB HIM OUT AND GRAB THAT PAPER HE'S CARRYING!



OKAY, GUY, YOU'RE ON THE SPOT! HAND OVER THAT THING, BEFORE...

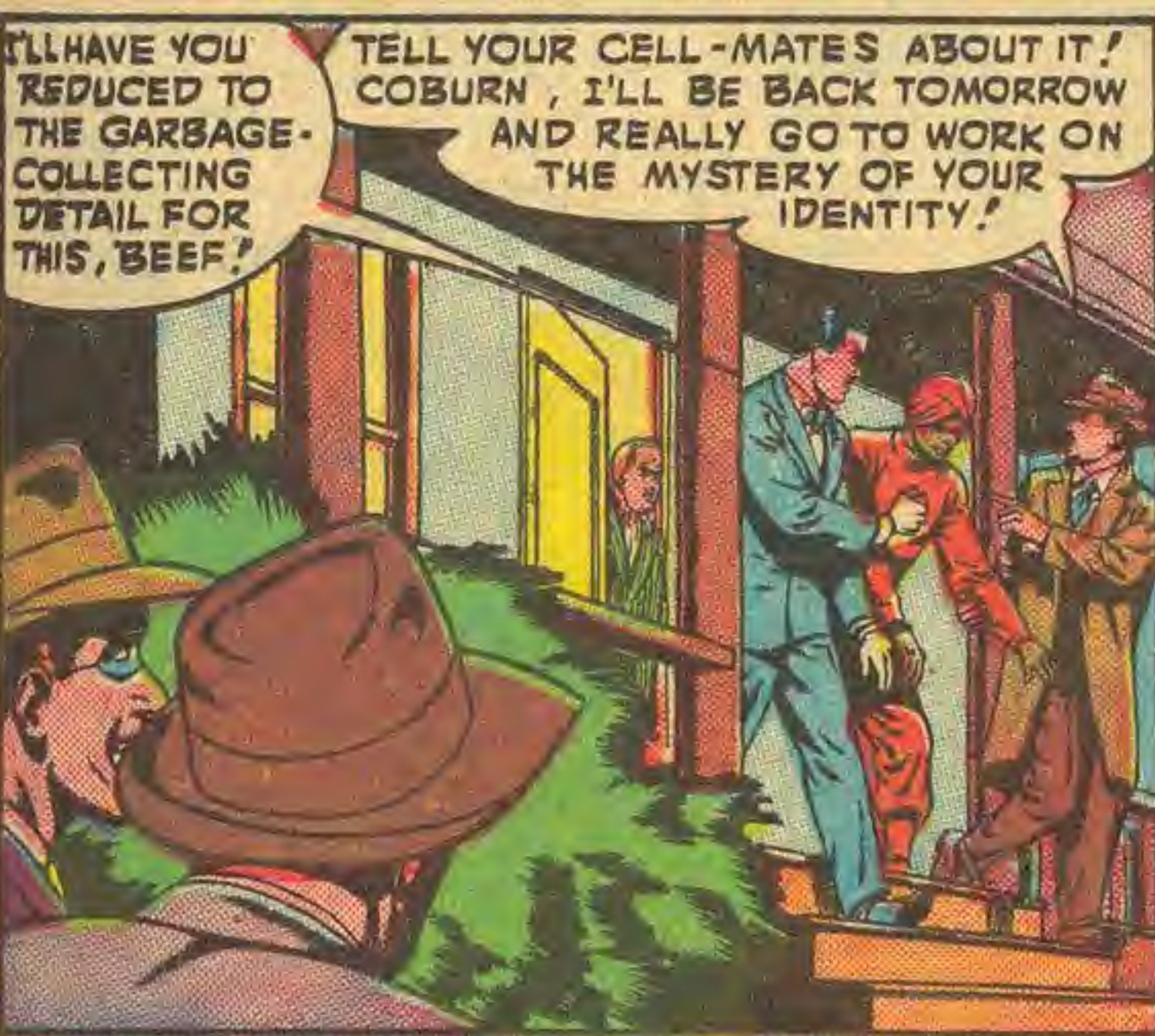
HALT! YOU'RE UNDER ARREST!



A COP! RUN!

BEEF BURTON, YOU HEROIC IDIOT! YOU'VE SPOILED MY PLAN!















# LADY LUCK

By Klaus Nordling

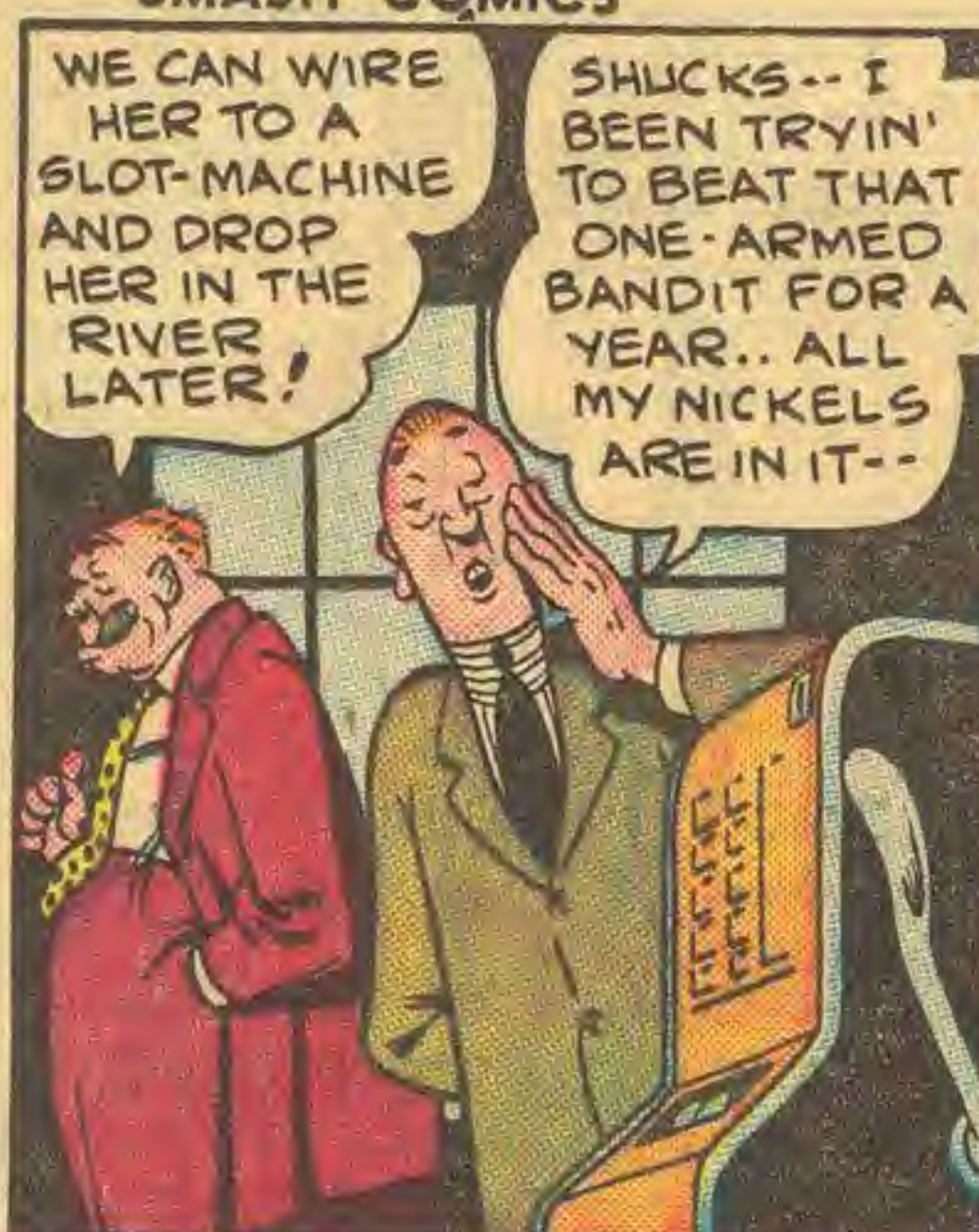








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# CITRONELLA

Cit nearly wins the Rumpus family a big inheritance, but her method boomerangs!



UNCLE DUNKLE WILL BE HERE NEXT MONTH AND NONE OF US HAVE A DECENT THING TO WEAR!

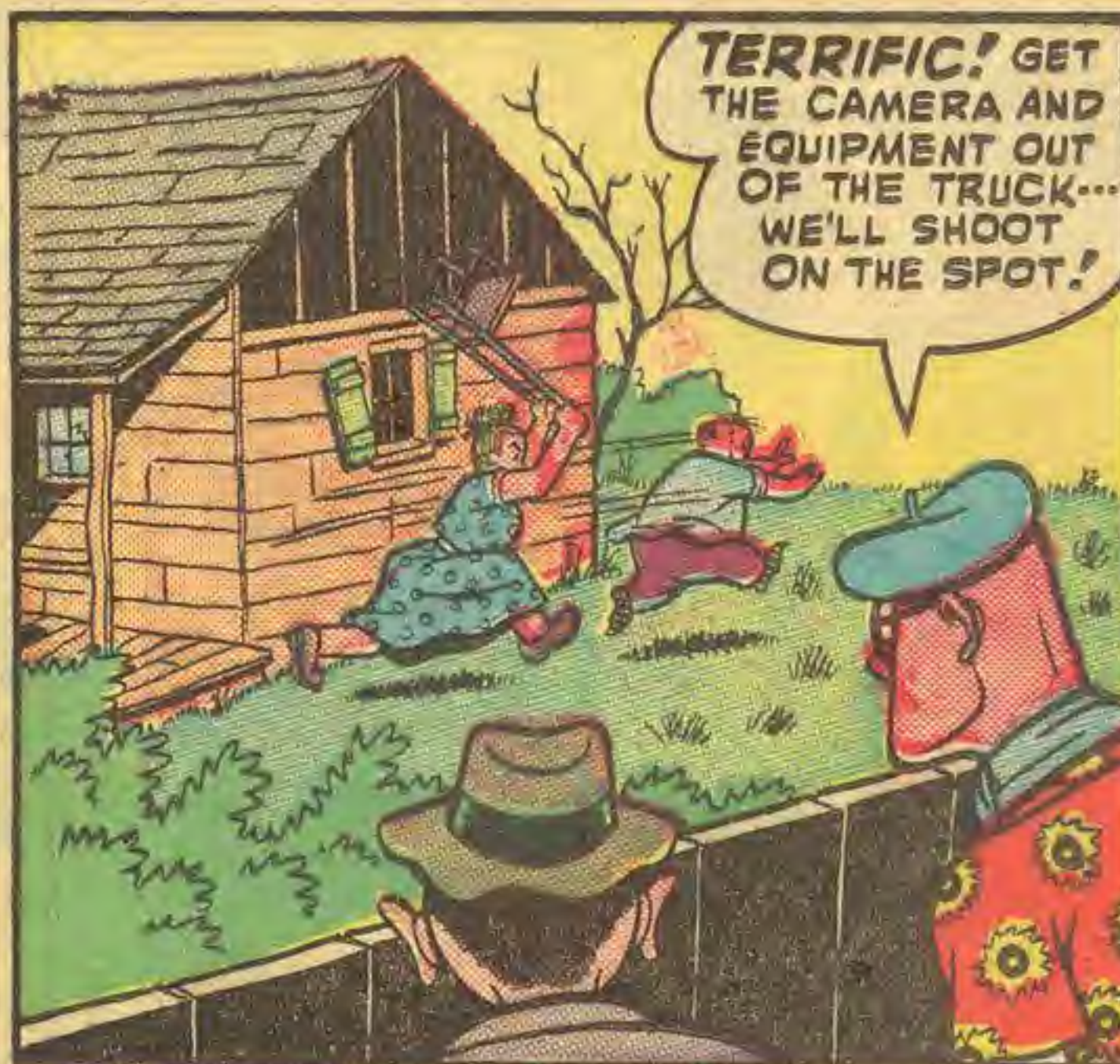
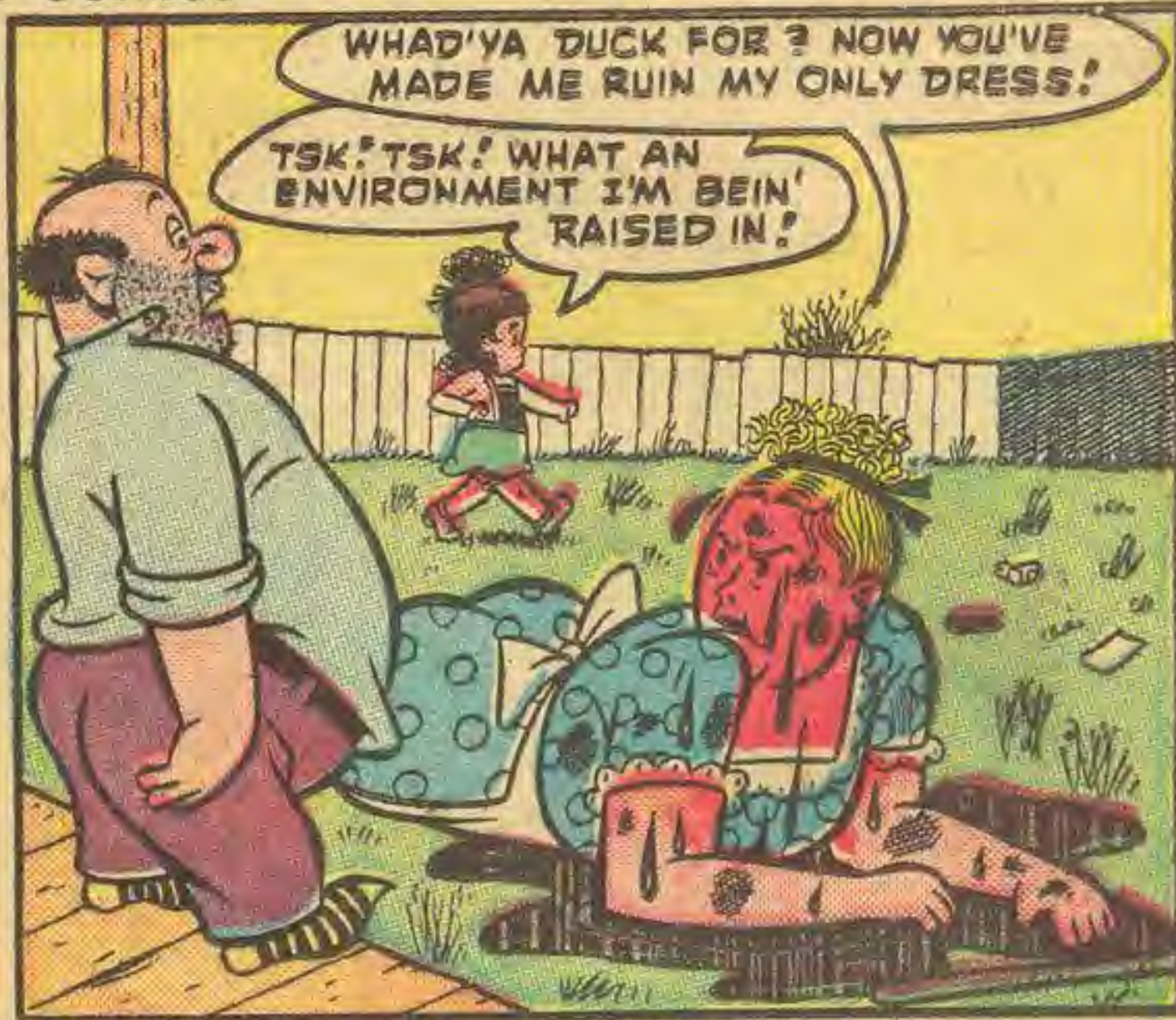


IF YOU'D ONLY GET A JOB, WE'D HAVE ENOUGH MONEY TO BUY SOME CLOTHES, YOU LAZY LOU! YOU MAKE ME BOIL!

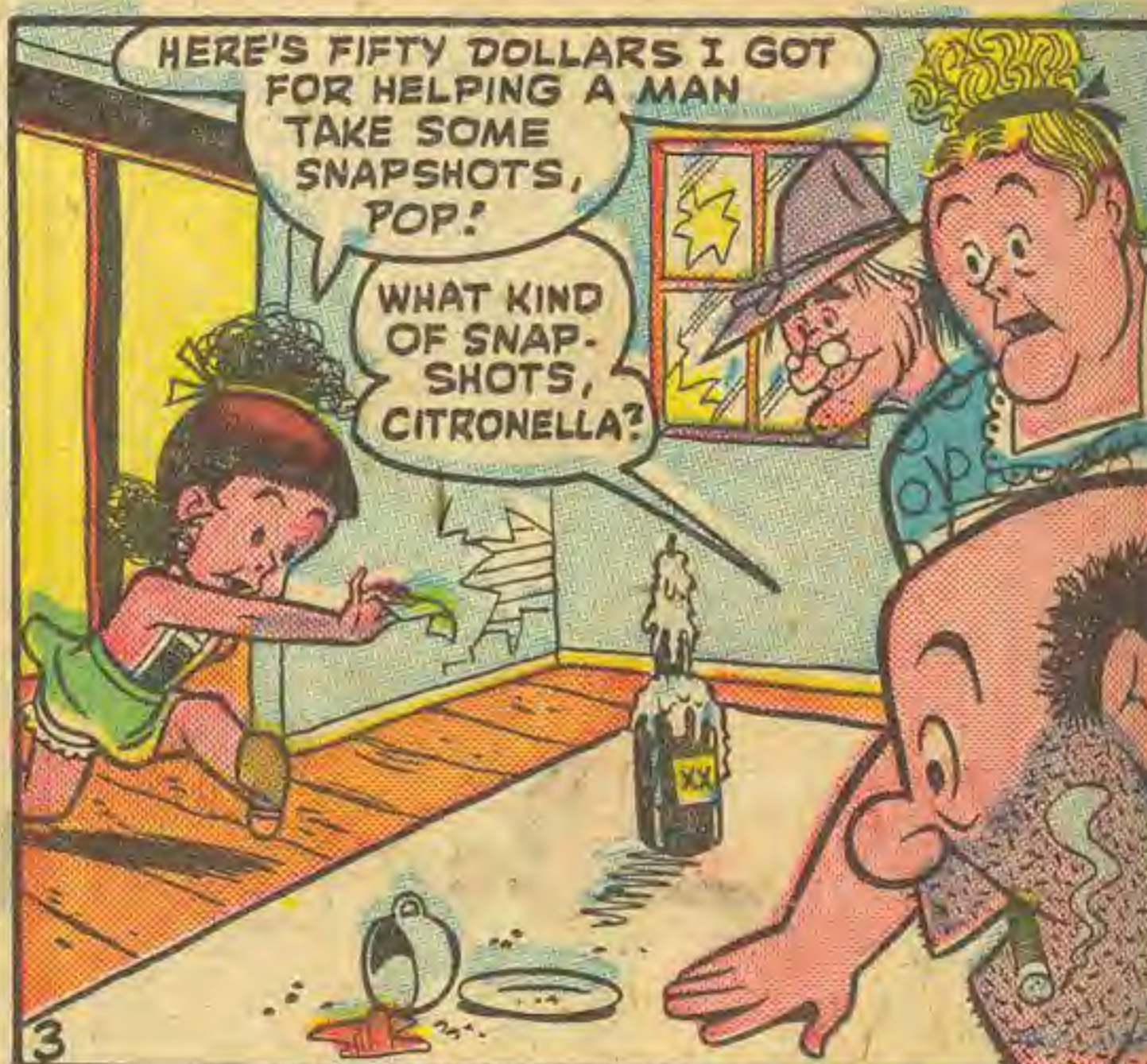
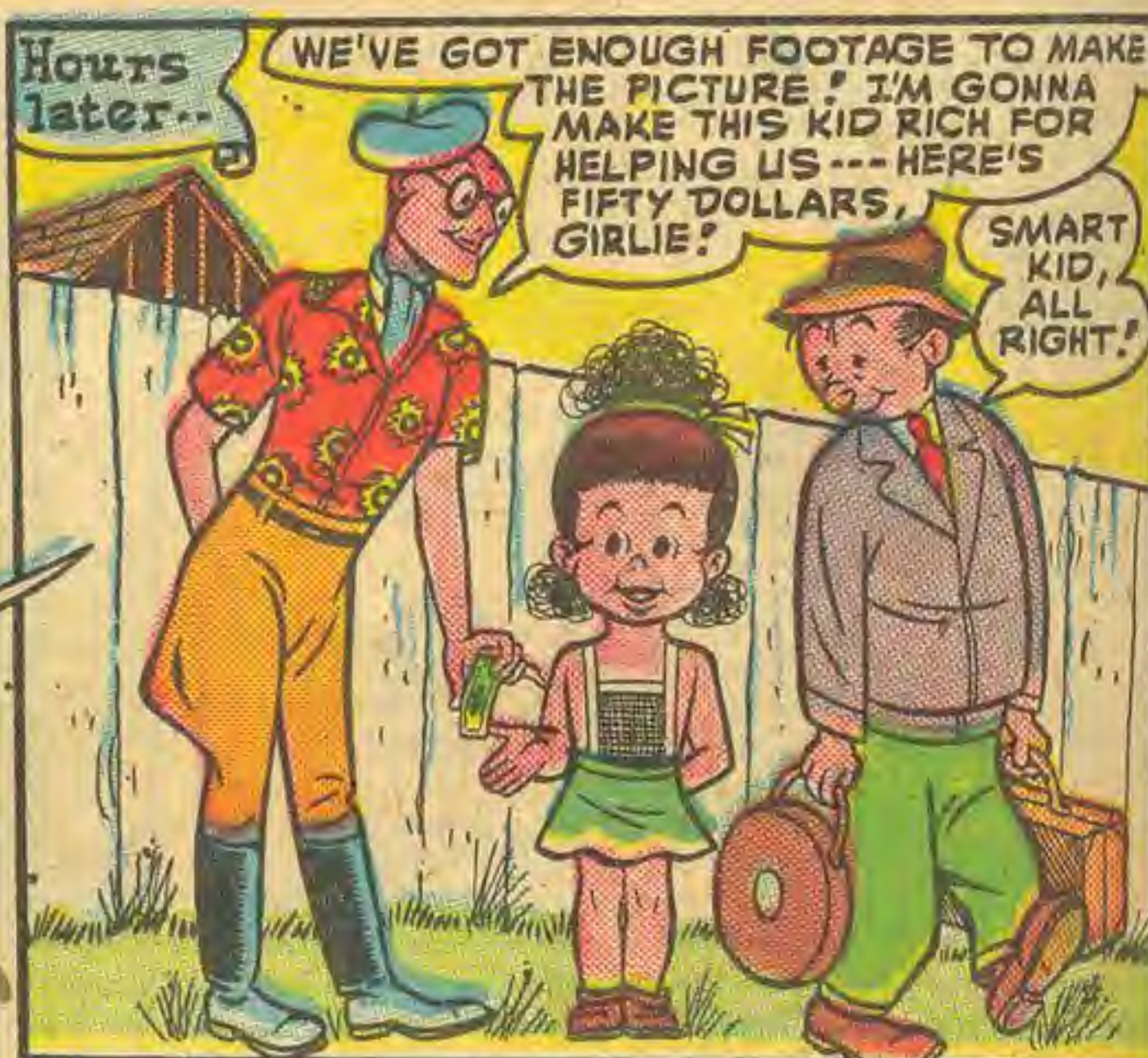
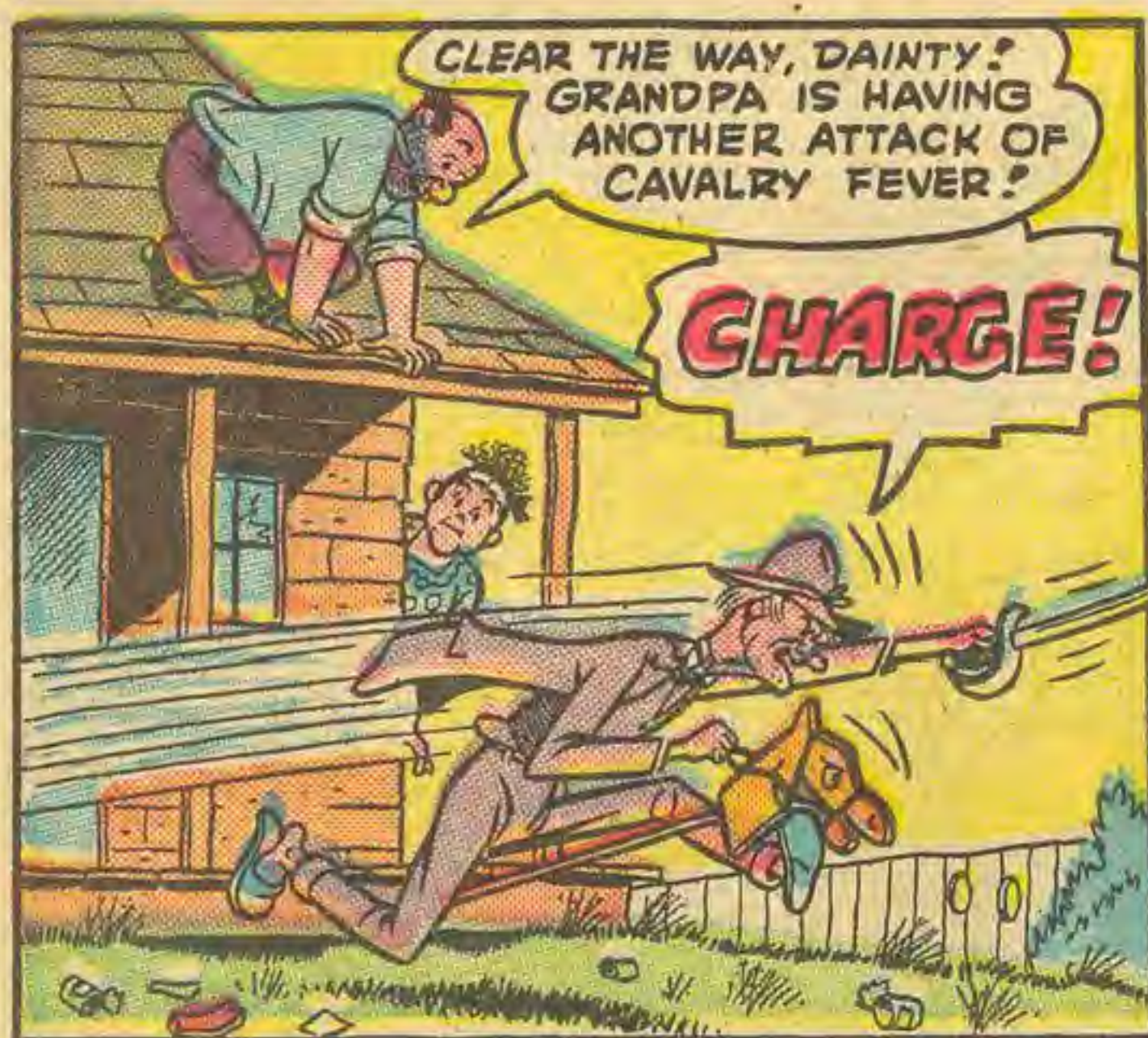
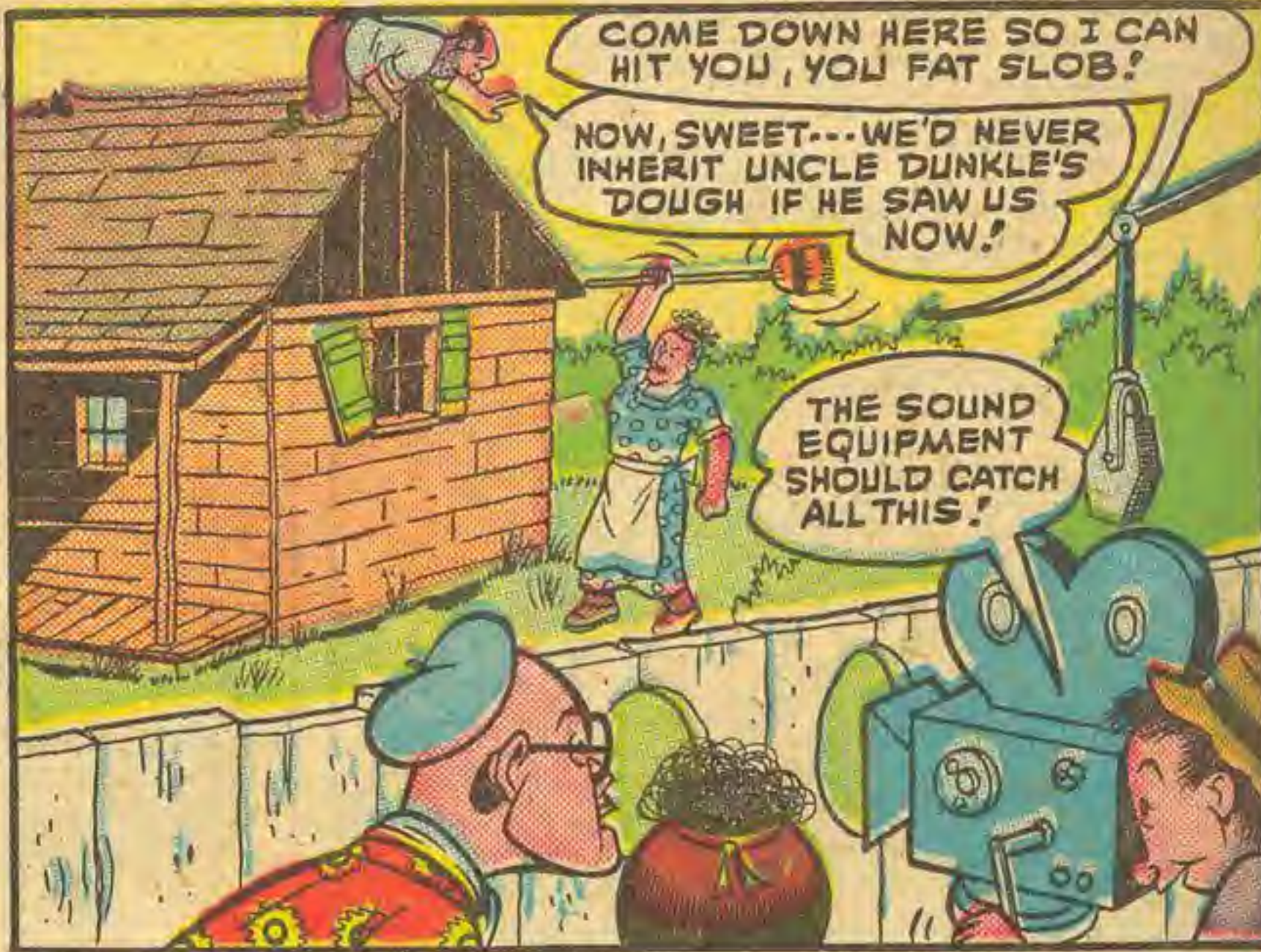
CONTROL YOURSELF, DAINTY! REMEMBER, UNCLE IS A FANATIC ABOUT FAMILY TRANQUILITY!



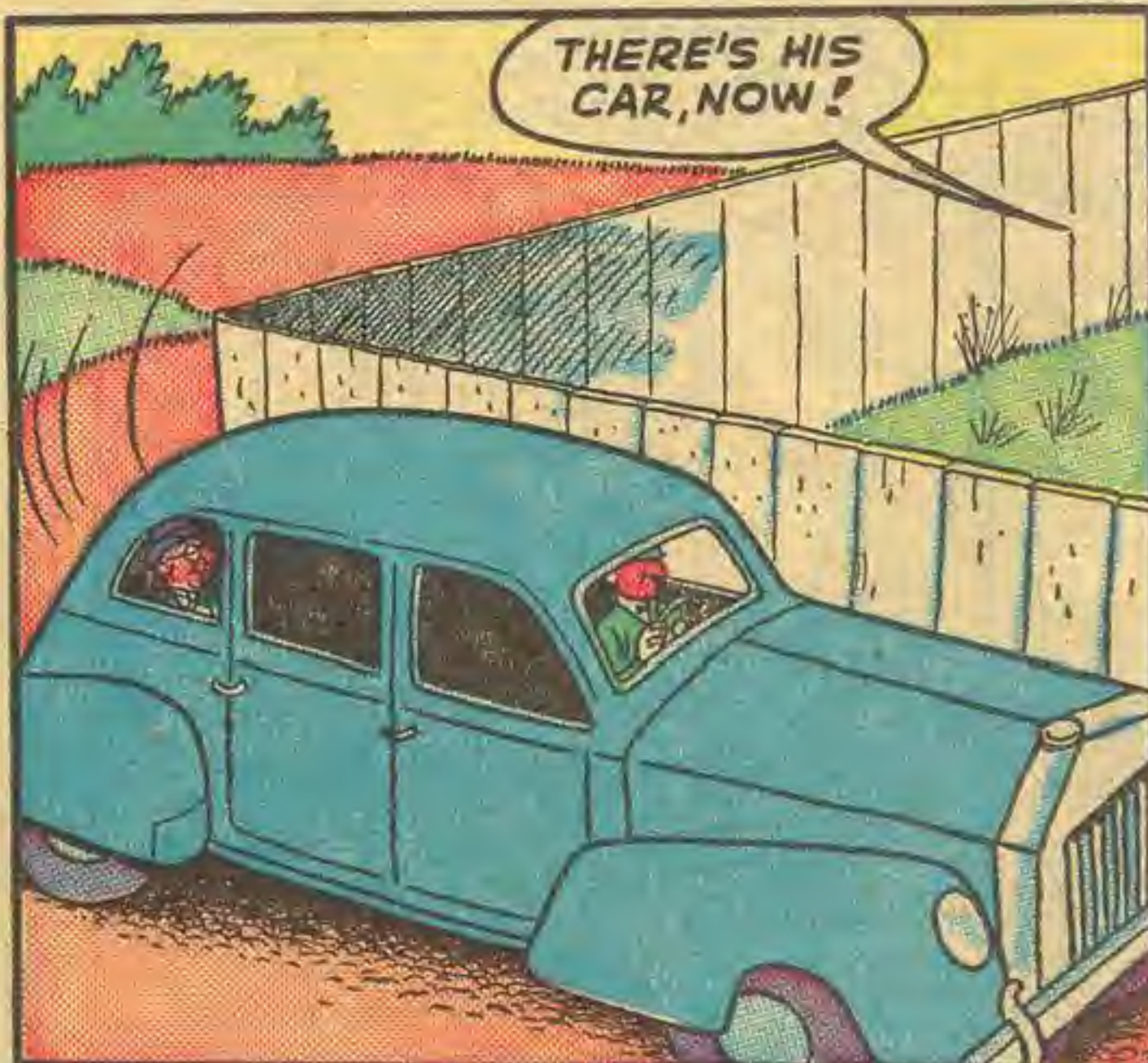
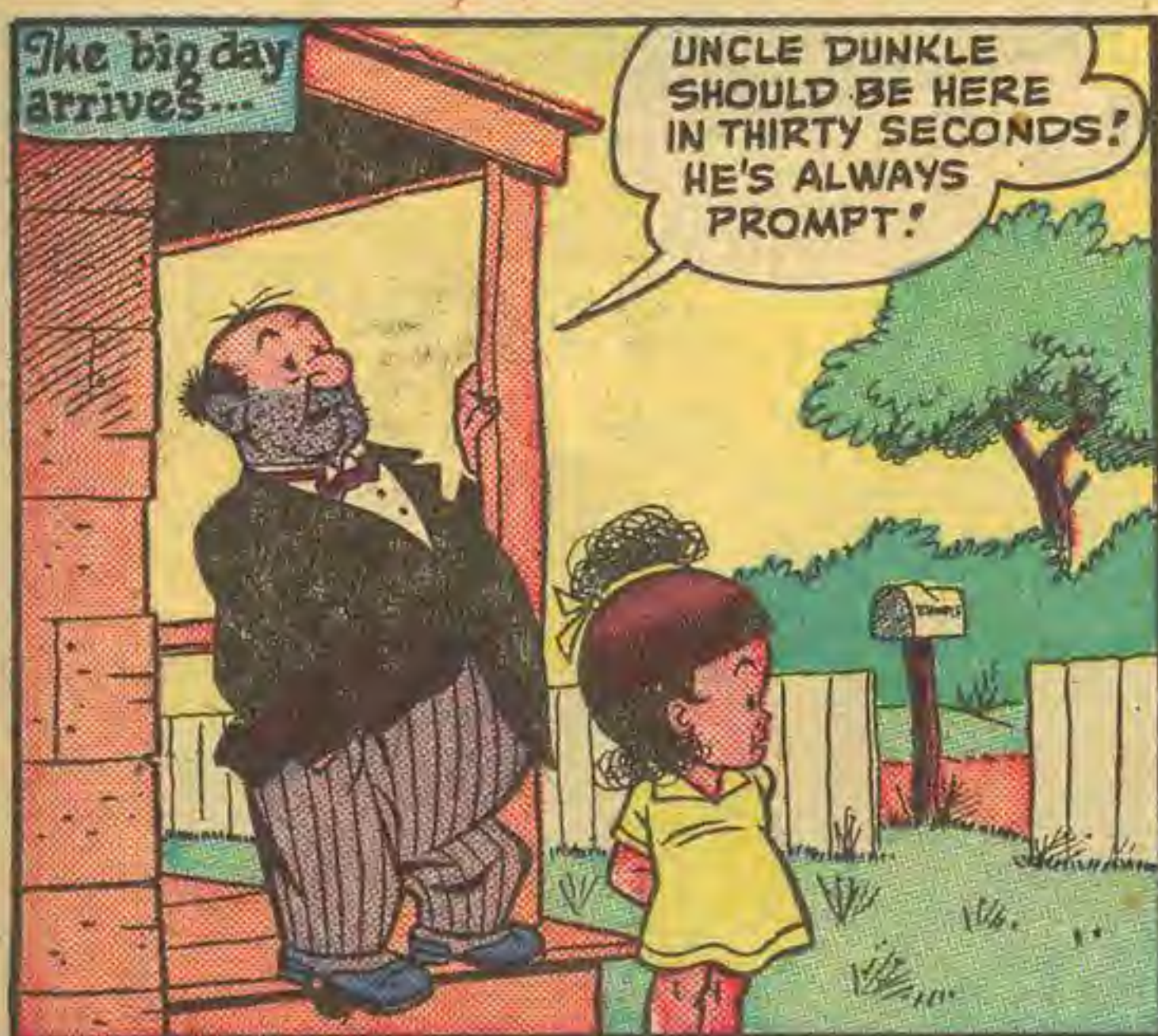




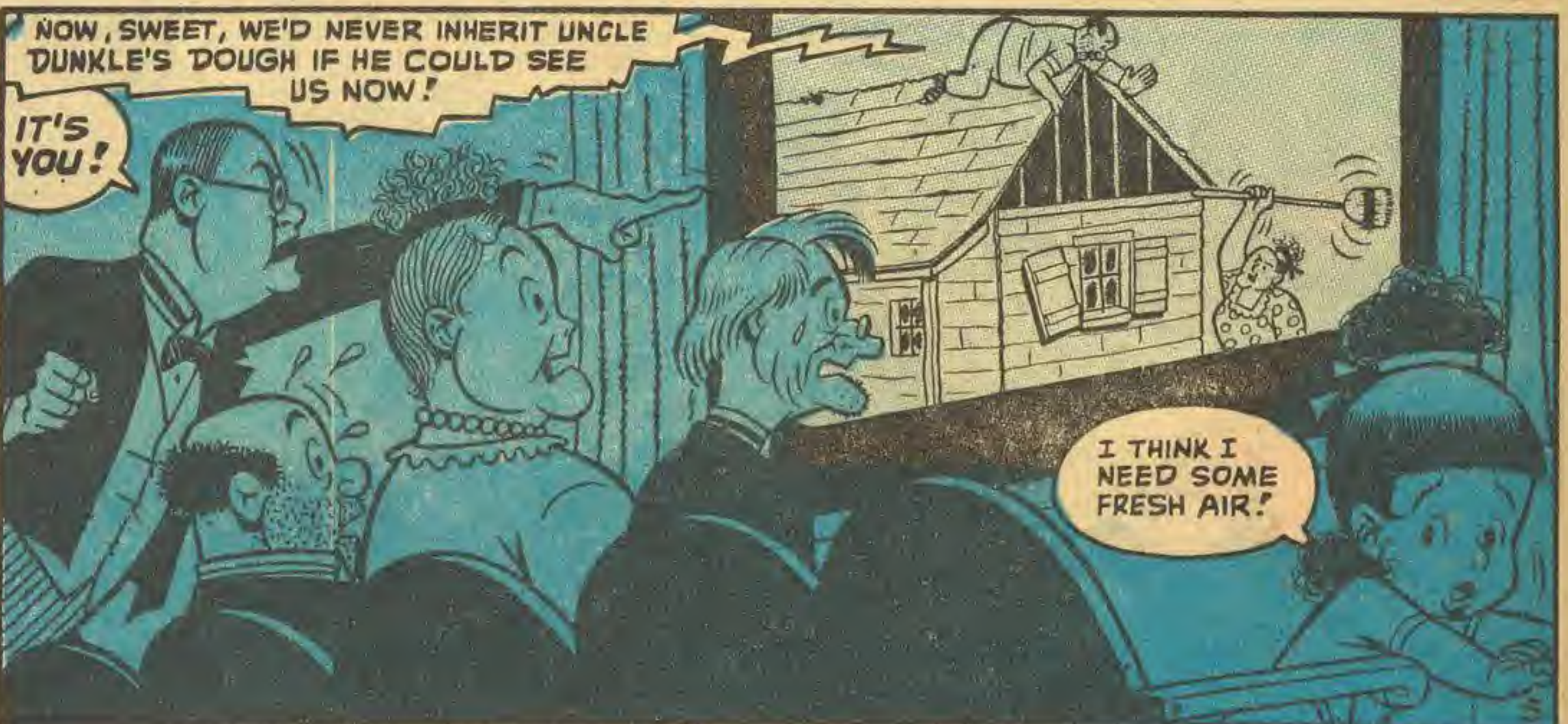
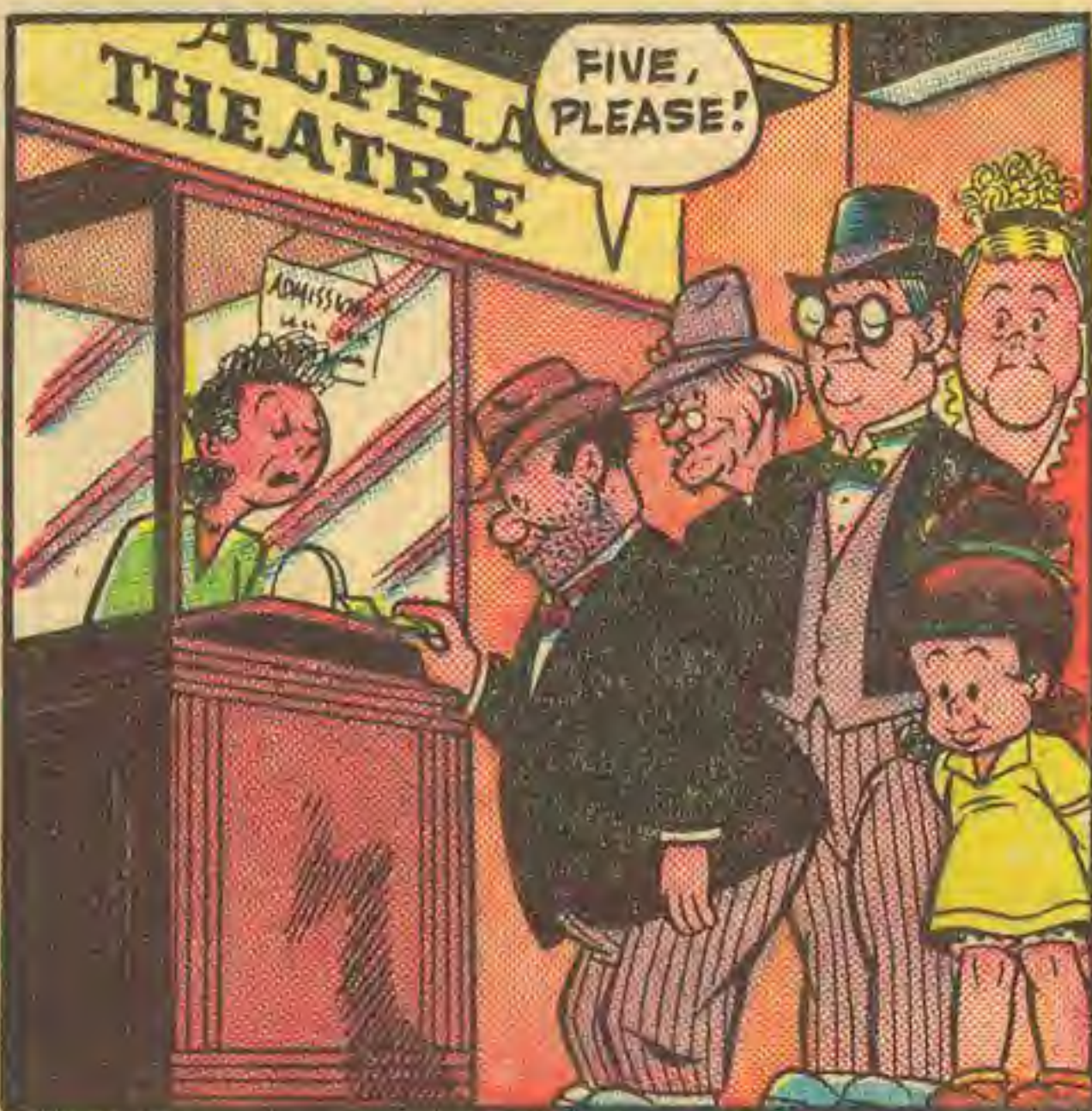
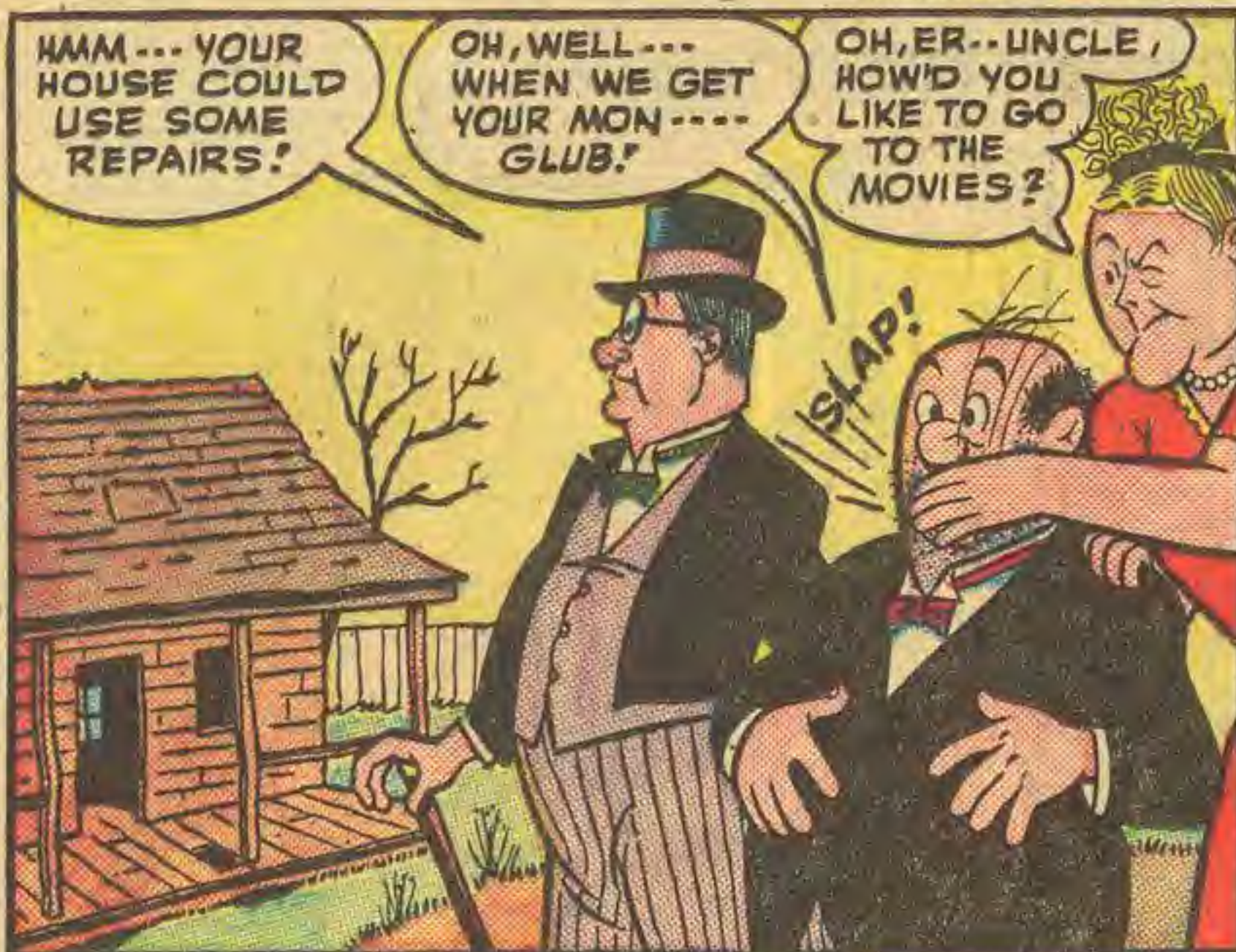




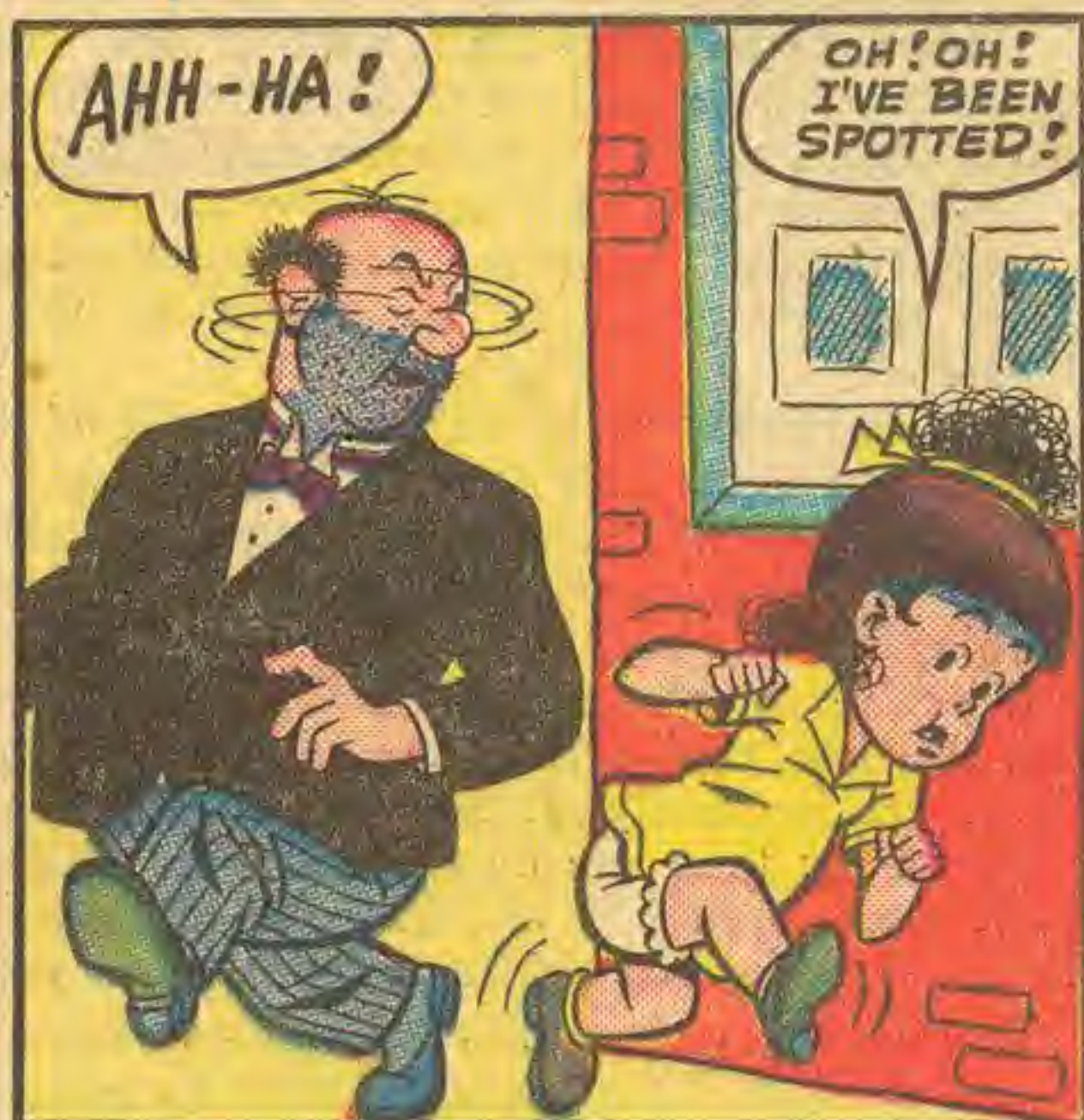














# Mystery Manor

**S**NIFFER Snoop pulled the last strap on his suitcase tight and said, "There. I'm all set for traveling."

"One thing I want to impress on you," said Dave Clark. "No detecting this time. We're on a pleasure jaunt—to a so-called haunted house, to be sure—but we'll leave the haunts to the guides and tourists."

Sniffer grinned. He fancied himself a great detective. He had worked for Dave Clark many months now. Dave was chief radio announcer at one of the local radio stations. But sometimes he assumed a far different character, a character that criminals hated and feared.

"This time we're off for a week of fun," went on Dave. "It'll be cool up at San Jose. We'll take in the sights, do some swimming and hiking, and come back ready for anything."

Sniffer sniffed. "It never works out that way, Dave, and you know it. We always get into—things."

Dave knew just what Sniffer meant. It always did seem to work out that way. "But at least," he said pointedly, "we won't go looking for trouble."

And with that understanding, they took off next morning for San Jose.

If you've never seen the old Winchester House near San Jose, you've never seen anything. It stands alone, architecturally. It has 160 rooms, among other things; there are no two floors on the same level; doors open into emptiness, or blank walls; dozens of gables and chimneys dot its many roofs.

The wealthy recluse who built this monstrosity is now dead, and the house is owned by a couple who take tourists on trips through it—for a fee.

There are several mysteries about the Winchester House.

It was a fresh April morning when Dave Clark and Sniffer Snoop drew up before the rambling house in their rented car. They sat for a while looking at the ancient pile, bathed in morning sunshine. It didn't look forbidding. And yet there was something about it—something.

"Gives me the willies," said Sniffer. "I never saw anything so ugly."

"It's not beautiful, that's a cinch," replied Dave. "But then, it was built many years ago."

"I'd just as soon we didn't go in there," Sniffer said. "I don't like the lay of things."

Dave laughed and clapped his little companion on the back. "Not going timid, are you, Sniff?"

Sniffer jumped out of the car and headed for the house. "Who says I'm gettin' timid?" he demanded angrily. This was a touchy point with Sniffer.

"Okay. Right behind you," said Dave. He got out and followed Sniffer.

The guide at the door nodded to them when they had paid their admissions, and motioned for them to follow.

"Watch your step," warned the guide. "There are a lot of trick steps along the way."

A few minutes later, another car pulled up outside the old house and two men got out. They were hard looking characters, and they seemed to know what they were about. While one of them paid the admissions, the other, keeping his right hand in his pocket, glanced furtively around.

"They're in here, all right," he said.

"Sure," said the other. "What'll we do with the ticket mugg?"

"This," said the first one, and cracked the man at the door a good one with a blackjack. He fell over with a groan. The two men dragged him out of sight behind some spare doors, then found a placard that read, **HOUSE CLOSED TODAY**, and hung it up outside.

"That'll keep the snoopers away," said one of the men. "Now let's get goin' after Dave Clark and his stooge."

Dave and Sniffer, following their guide, had walked miles. Or so it seemed to them.

"Say," said Sniffer, "how far have we actually walked?"

"Oh, 'bout three miles," said the guide. He laughed. "If you want the full treatment, it's a good three miles more."

Dave nodded. "Sure, give us the works."

They had gone through dozens of rooms, big and small, some with and some without windows. Some of the windows opened on blank walls, as did various doors.

"It's dangerous to go through this house unless you know where you're goin'," said the guide. "You might step through one and fall three stories."

A loud creak, then a cracking sounded in the wall. Sniffer jumped, paling.

"Only the house settlin'," the guide told them.

"Is it really haunted?" inquired Sniffer with rolling eyes.

The guide laughed. "Could be. Some funny things have happened around here."

At that moment there was a pattering of fast-running feet overhead. They all three looked up. The guide shoved back his cap.

"That's funny," he said. "I'm the only guide workin' today. Can't imagine Louie lettin' people in that way."

A furtive creaking, like a stairstep being trod on,



sounded ahead, and Dave and the guide dashed toward the sound. The hall was gloomy. Sniffer was slow getting started. Just as he took off, something tripped him and he sprawled flat on his face. Then something grabbed him by the feet and yanked. Before he could cry out, a hand muffled his mouth. He felt cords being tied tight about his wrists and ankles. A gag was stuffed into his mouth and a rag tied over his face.

"We got the runt," he heard a man say in a low voice. "We'll stuff him in this dark closet and lay for Clark. He'll not leave this dump till he finds his dummy pal."

Sniffer, helpless, was dumped unceremoniously into a pitch-dark closet and heard the door go shut. He tried to get loose, to yell. Not a sound issued through his gag. His ropes were like bands of iron.

Dave Clark and the guide returned to where they had left sniffer. Dave examined the dust on the floor.

"There has been a struggle," he said. "Someone clipped Sniffer and dragged him along the hall . . . see these tracks?"

The guide bent over, looking. He followed Dave to where they ended—at a blank wall. "You see what I mean?" he said. "This old place is all blanks. An' another thing." The guide's right hand darted for his hip pocket, but Dave, struck with a sudden thought, leaped into the shadows and donned a small eye mask. Now he was Midnight, famous the country over for his daring fight against crime.

The guide's pistol flamed, but the bullet whizzed past Midnight's ear. The gun spat again, and then the guide was gone, leaping up a narrow hallway.

Midnight stood for a moment, listening. The patter of running footsteps was audible. They sounded from above, from below, and from all sides. Then Midnight heard a stealthy scratching near the floor. He kicked against a panel in the wall; it was hollow. It slid back. Out rolled Sniffer.

Sniffer sputtered for a moment after Midnight had untied him and removed the gag, but he could-

n't tell what had really happened to him, nor identify the men.

"Well, they're loose in this house," Midnight reported, "but I don't know where. They were gunmen looking for me. Come on, let's see if we can find them."

Three shots rang through the house. They sounded hollow, and echoed a dozen times before fading out. There was a rush of footsteps above, then a loud crash. Someone had barged into a wall, or crashed through a panel. Midnight, with Sniffer trailing, leaped up a stairway.

Midnight halted. The pelting footsteps came from beyond the wall of the corridor he stood in. The house was honeycombed with halls and passages. Two more shots, sounding far below.

Midnight said, "The guide and those thugs seem to be shooting at each other. I think they're confused; the guide is one of them, but they don't know it."

Silence came for a moment. Then the thin wail of a siren filtered through the hundred walls. Midnight and Sniffer raced for the front of the house. They ran into a blank wall at the end of the hall.

"Now we're twisted," said Midnight. "Lost as sure as shootin'!"

The siren wailed again, closer. Midnight hurried toward the sound, taking another corridor. It ended in a closed door. He pushed against the panel. The door swung outward. Daylight rushed over him. He ducked back quickly, ripped off the face mask, and became Dave Clark again.

"Police out there," he said. "And three men. I think it's the gunmen and the guide. Come on."

They stepped into the glare of daylight. The police held guns on three cowering men, one of them Dave's recent guide. The patrol car was backing toward them.

Dave laughed. "This is the first time that lugs chasing me ever got themselves caught without my help. . . . How did you like the old mystery house, Sniff?"

"You can have my share of it," said Sniffer. "Let's go back to the city and get lost in some nice cool subways!"

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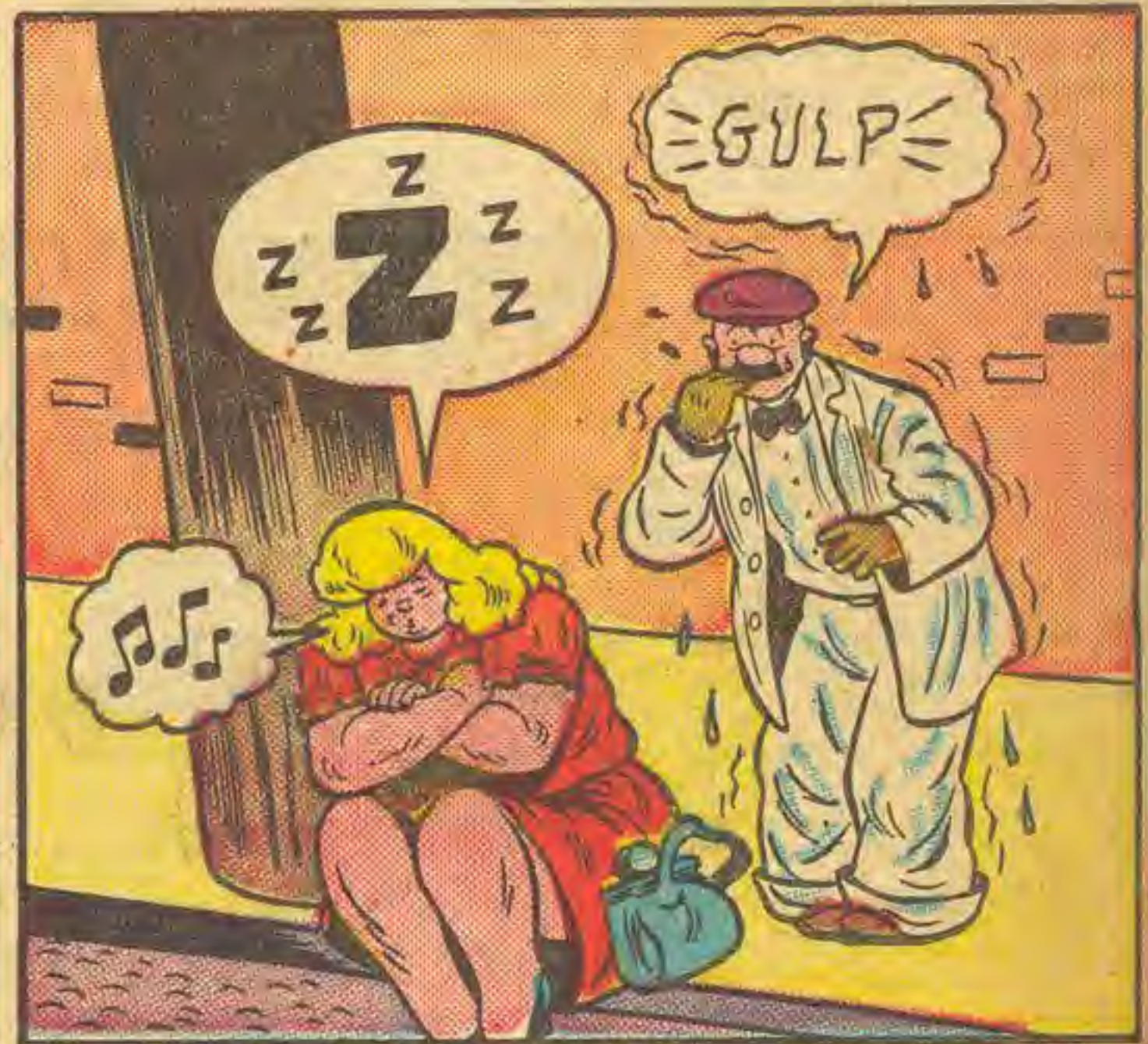
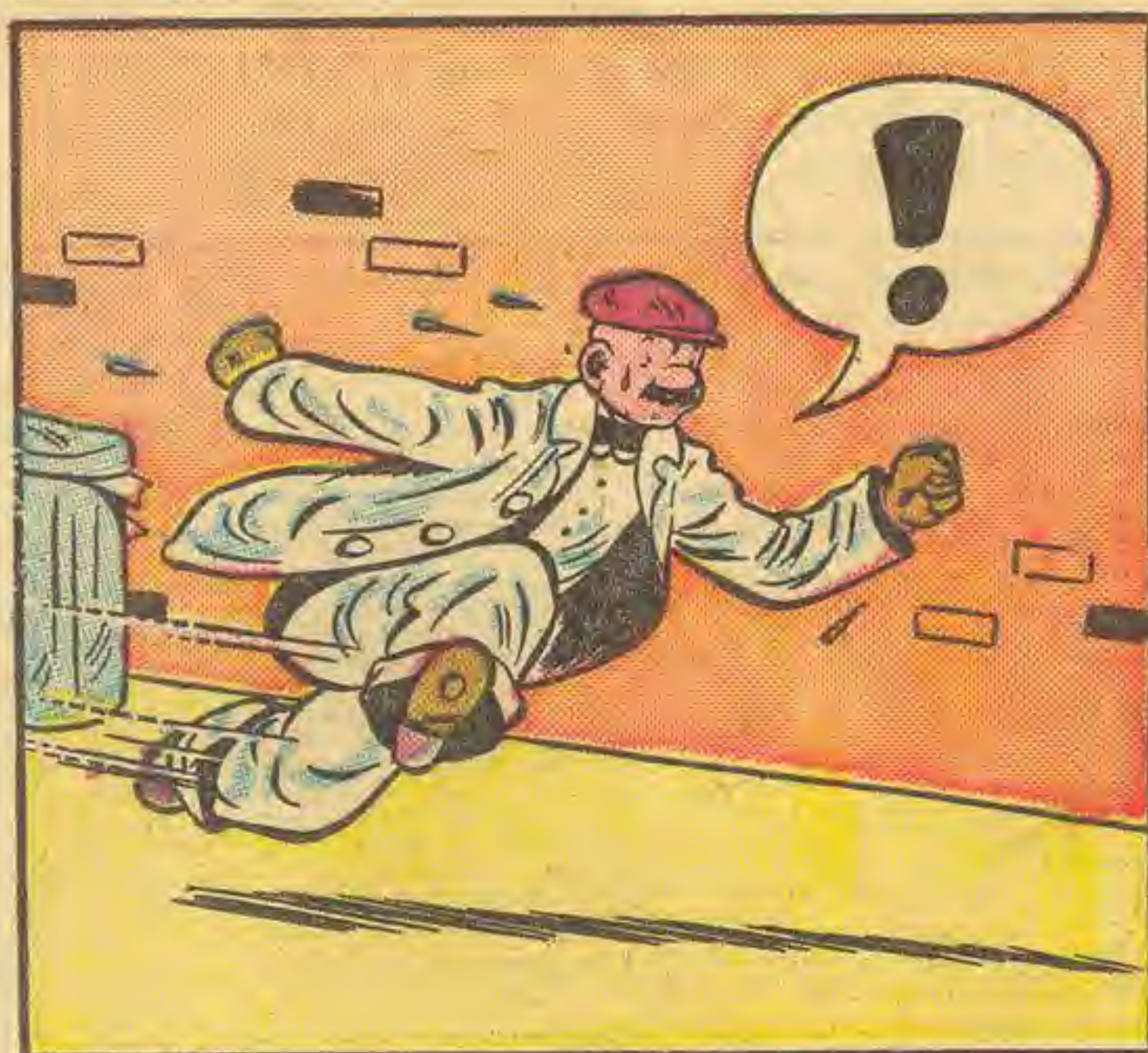
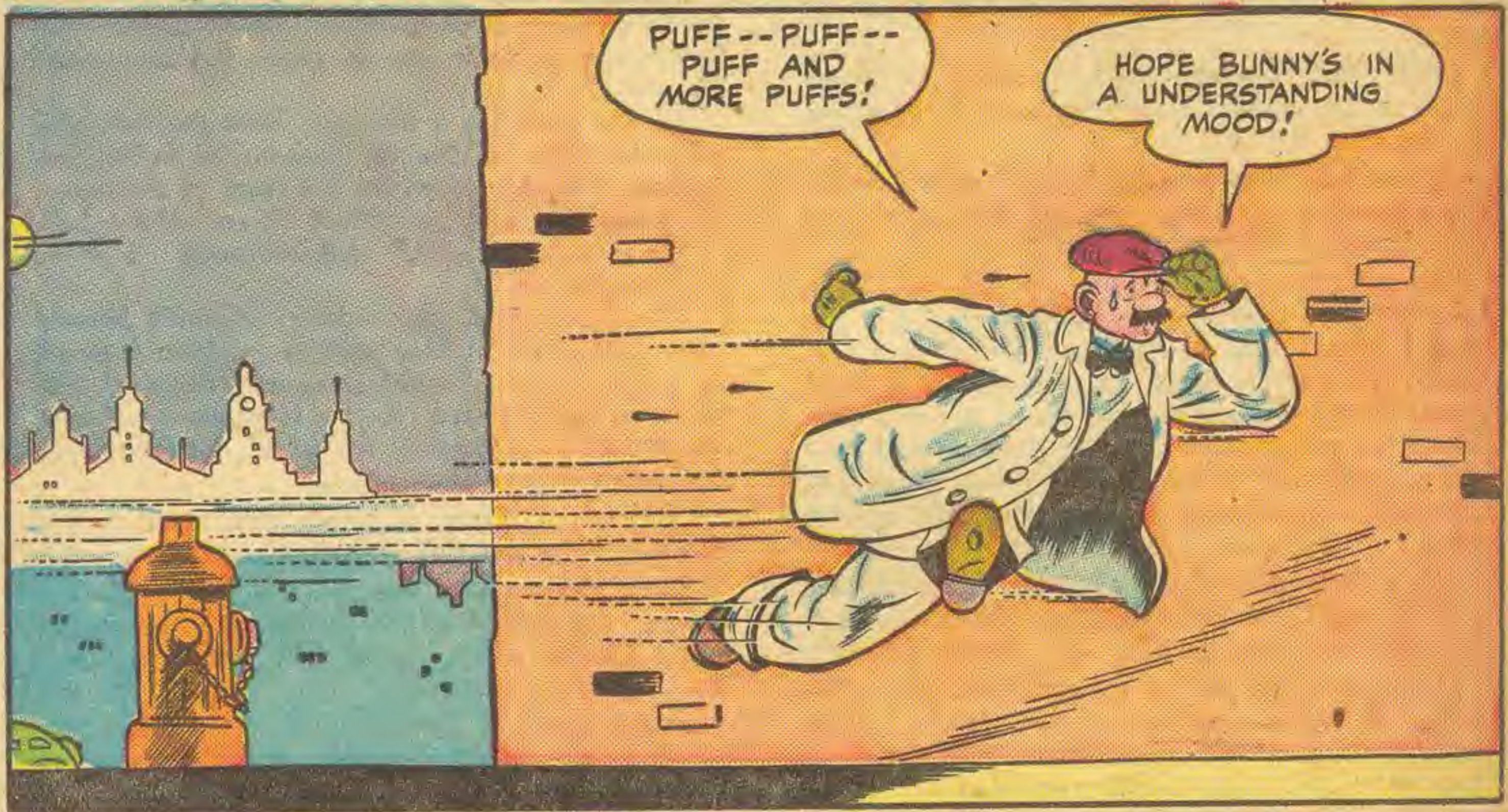
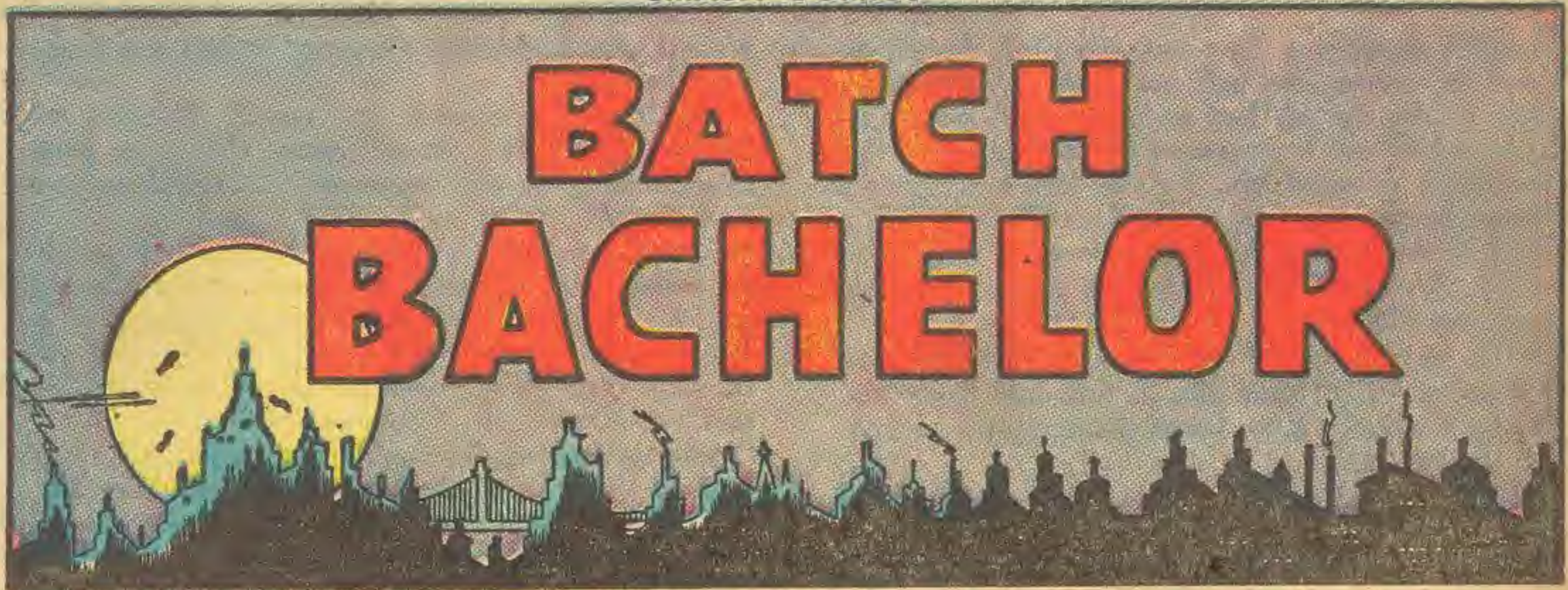
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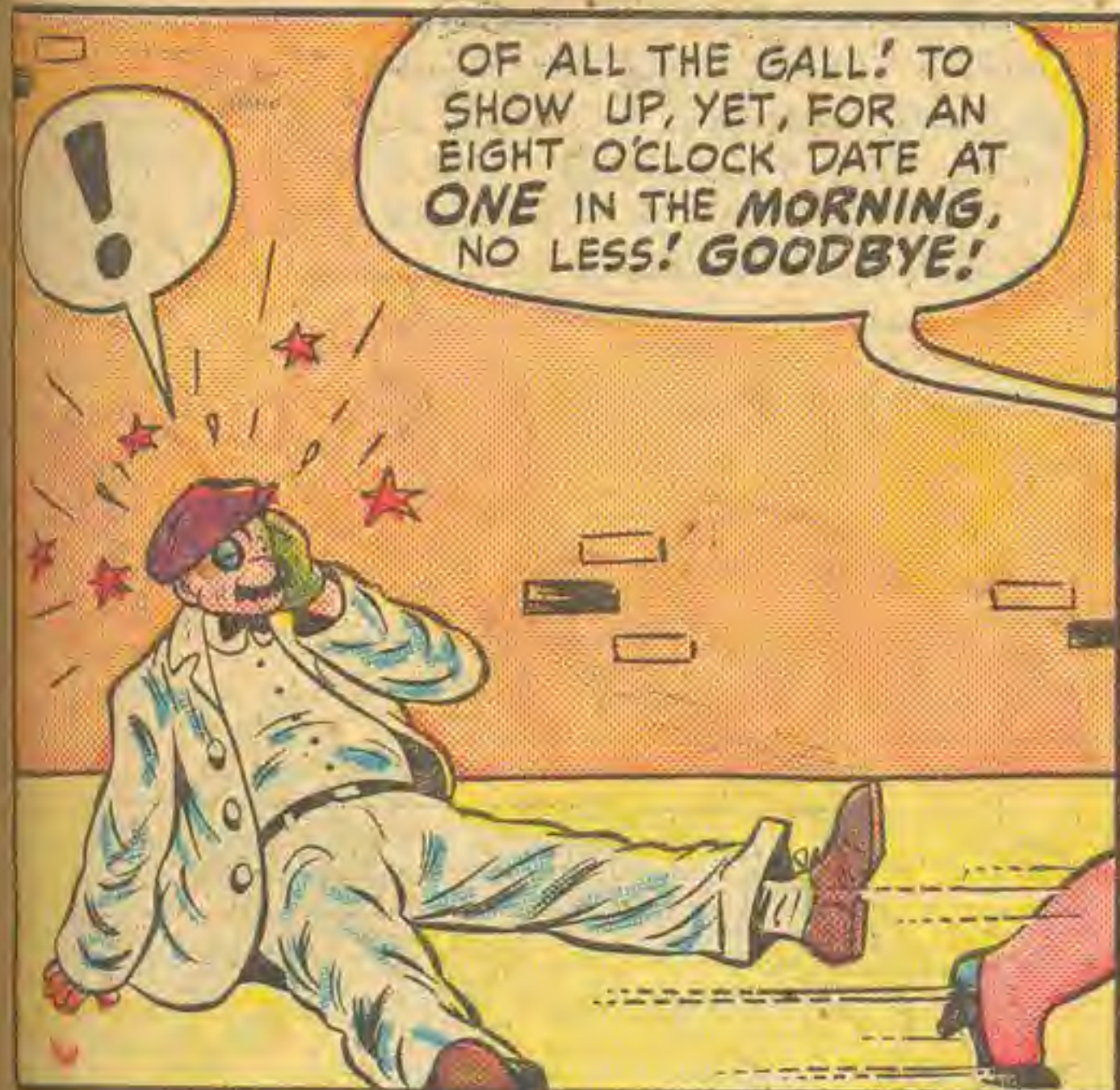
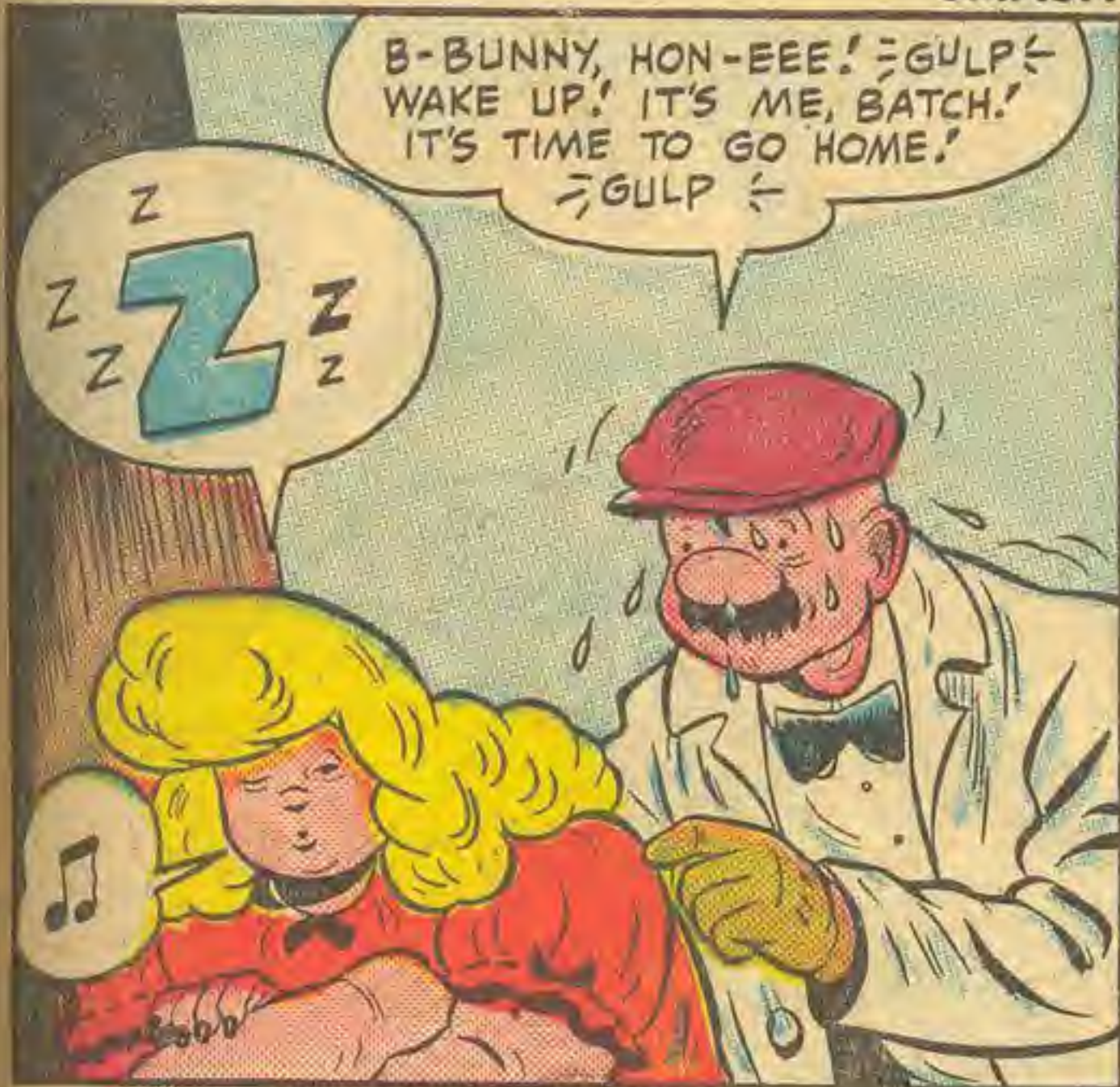
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LOUIS J. KURIANSKY, Notary Public (Commission expires April 1, 1949.)











HOWEVER, ALL ME HARD WORK WAS NOT IN VAIN! ME BOSS PRESENTED ME WITH A PAIR OF COMPLIMENTARY CIRCUS TICKETS ALONG WITH THE DAY OFF!

OH, GOODIE! I JUS' ADORE CIRCUSES!



EXCUSE ME, BUB!



SNIFF I'M UP AGAINST IT, BUB! I AIN'T HAD ANYTHING TO DRINK...ER...AH...NUTTIN' TO EAT ALL DAY! COULD YOUSE SPARE A DOLLAR FOR A CUP OF JAVA WITH SINKERS, OF COURSE? PLEASE, YET, HUH? SOB

SNIFF THE POOR HUNGRY MAN! GIVE HIM A DOLLAR, HON-NEE! SOB FOR ALLUS WE KNOW, HE'S PROBABLY TOO PROUD TO TELL US ALSO THAT A WIFE AND A SICK BABY HE HAS YET!

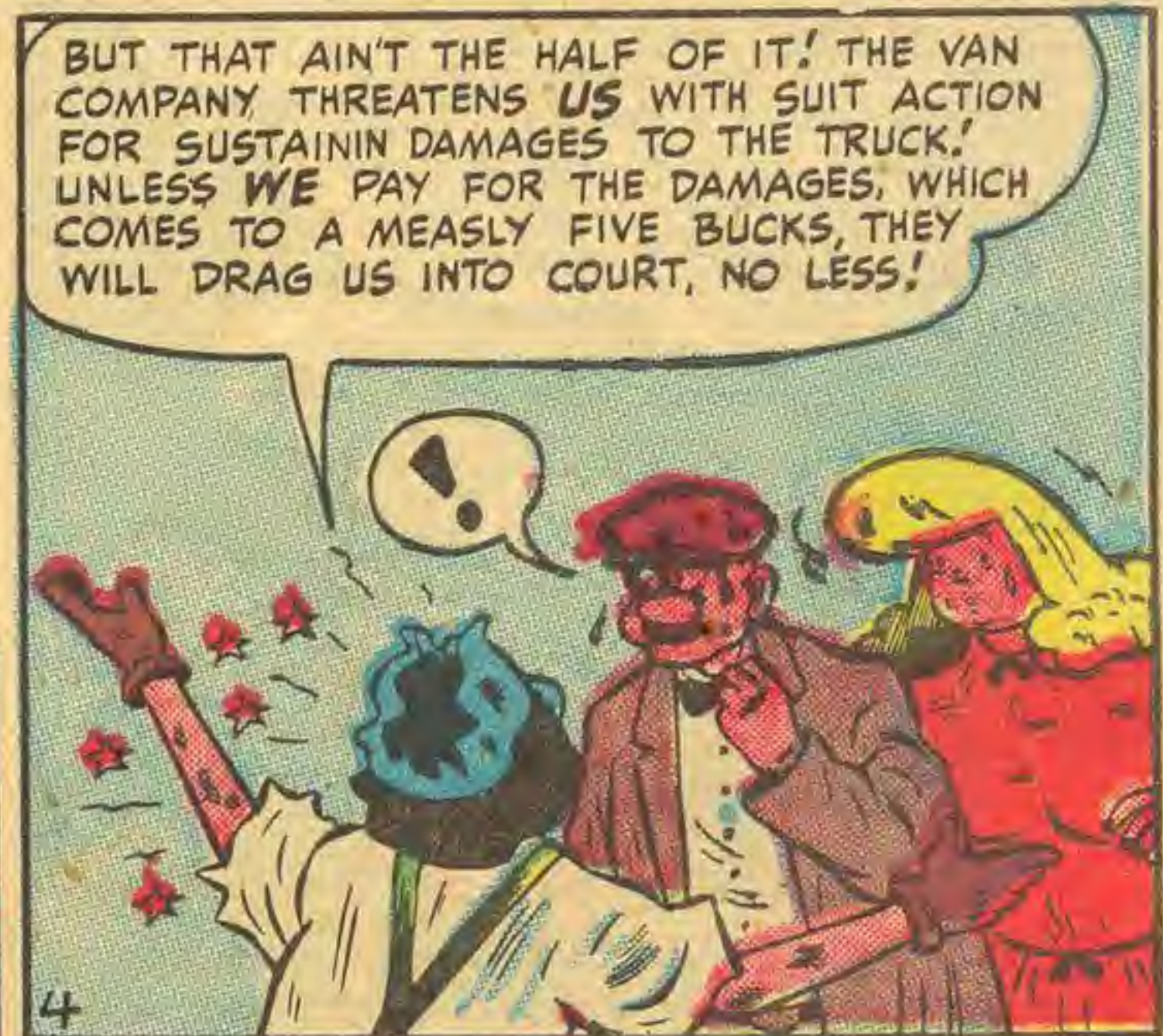
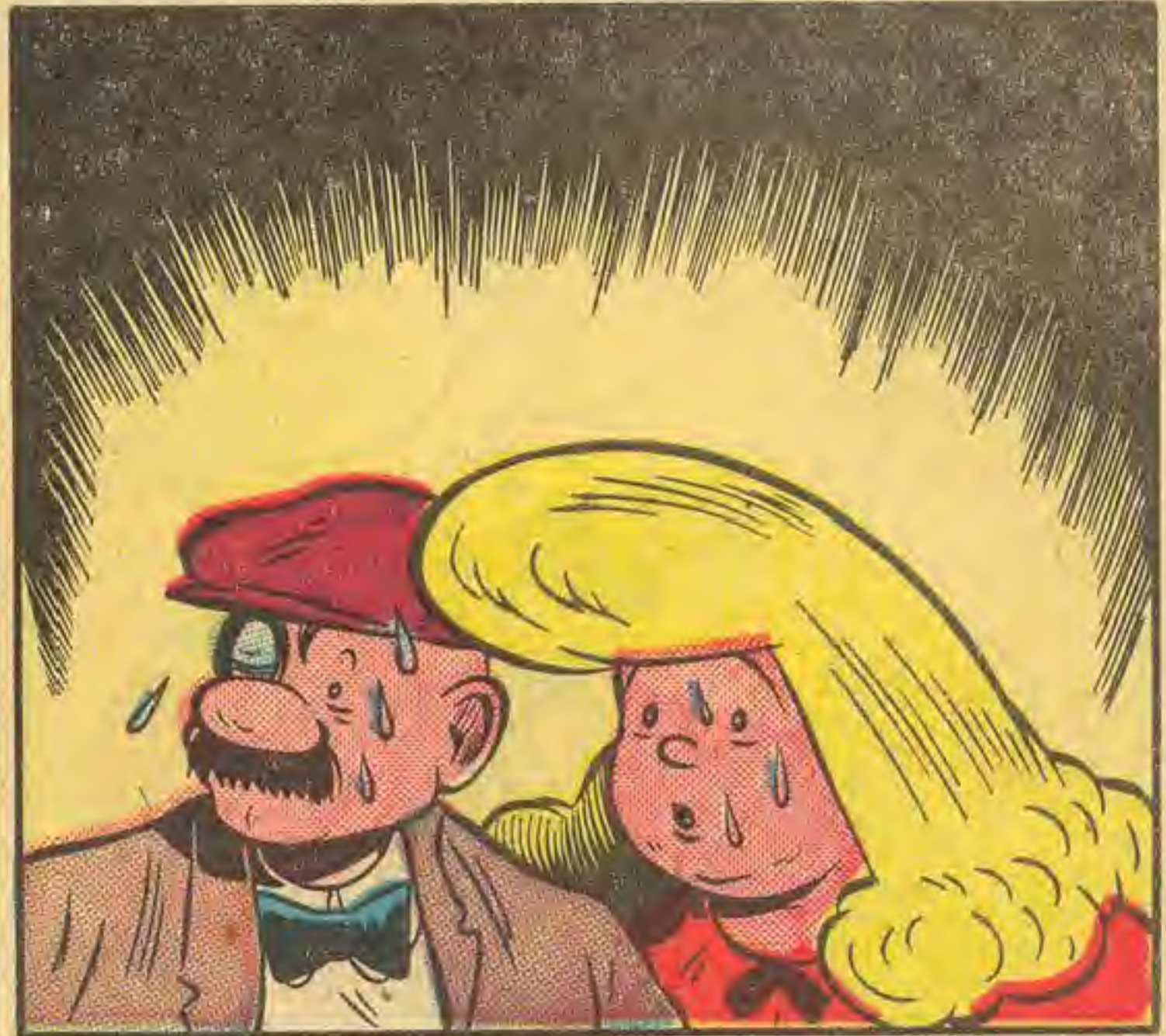
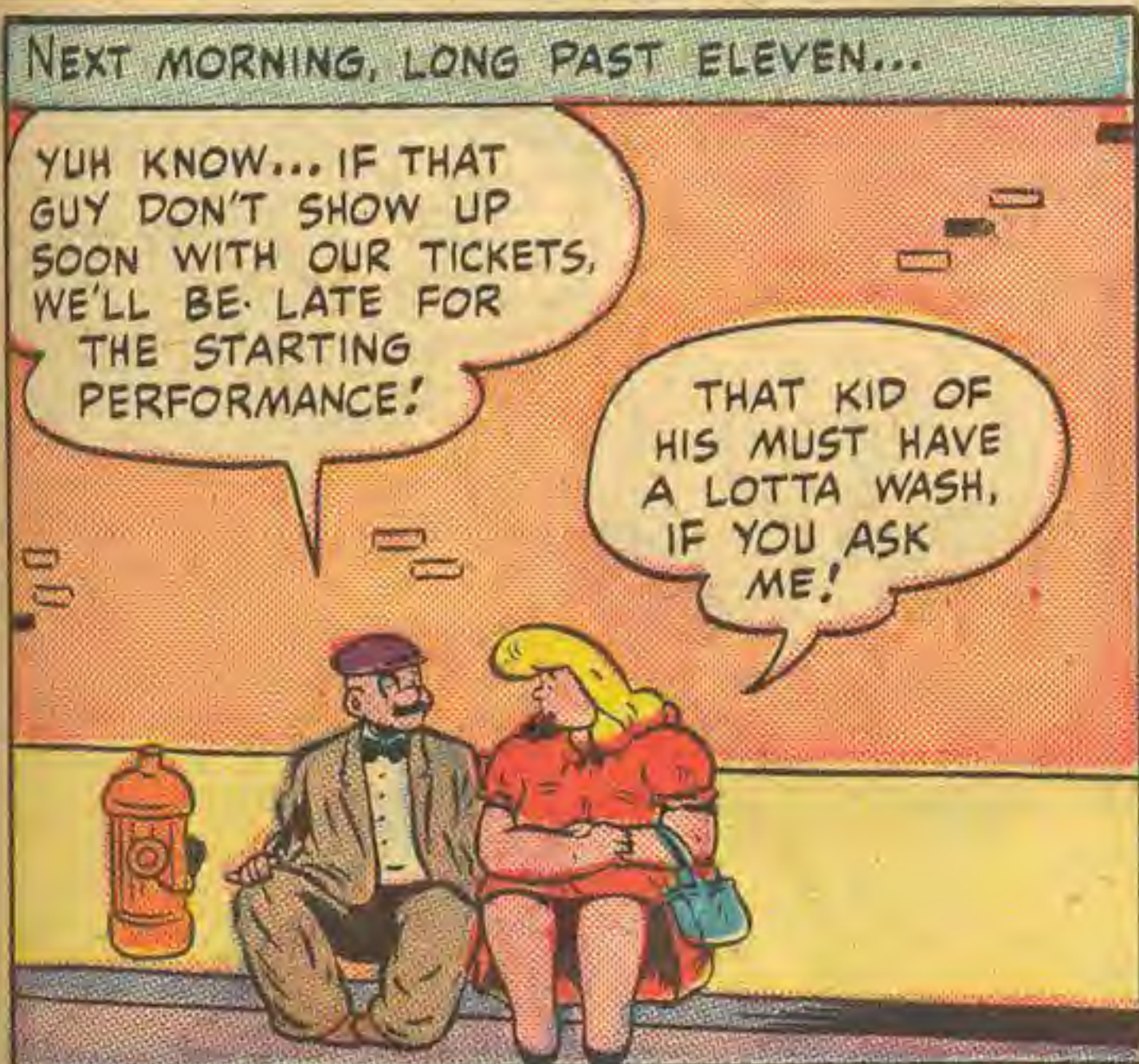
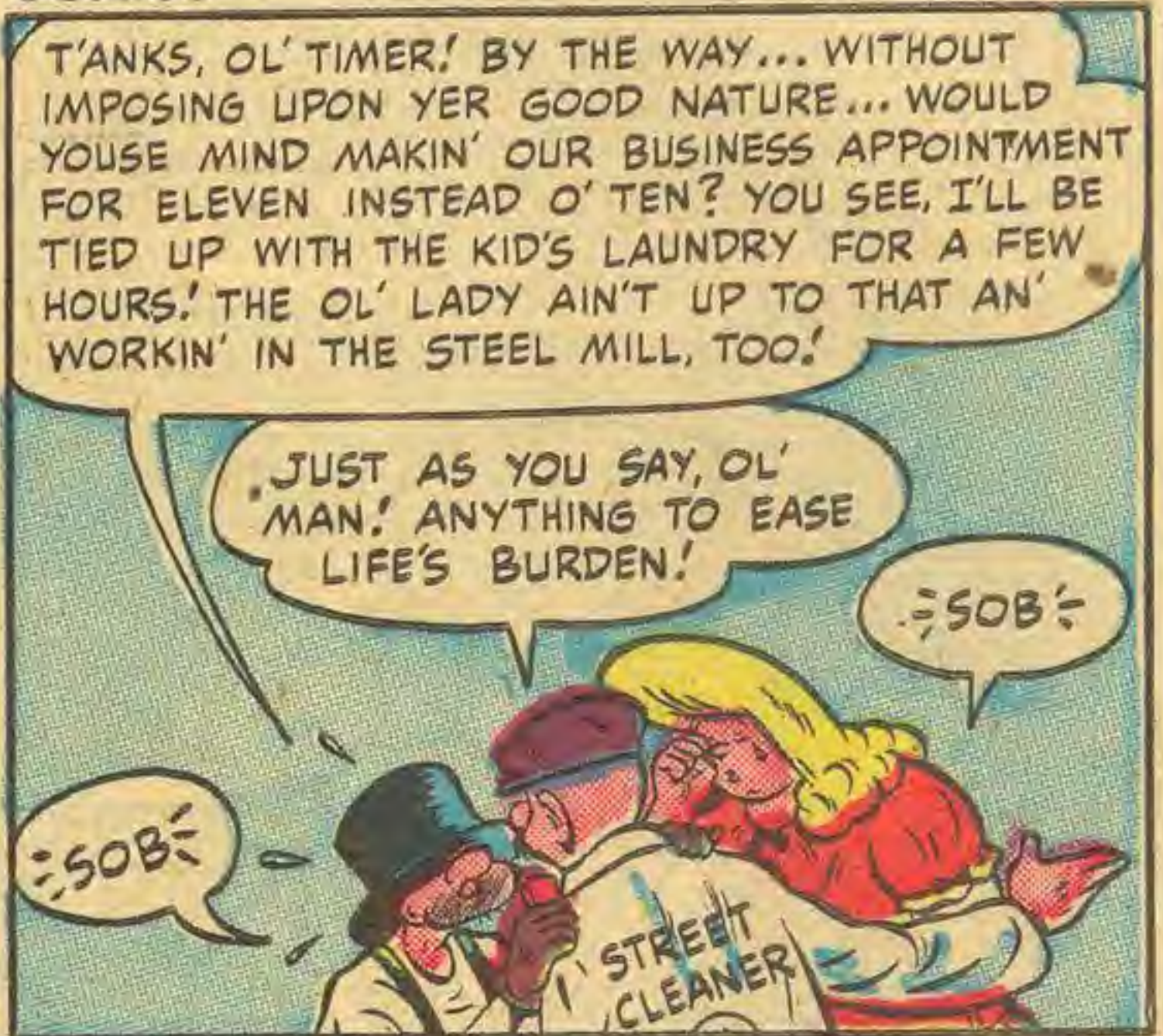


SORRY, OL' TIMER, BUT I LEFT ME WALLET HOME! HOWEVER, IF YOU NEED A BUCK THAT BAD...MEET ME HERE ABOUT TEN IN THE MORNING AND I'LL HAVE IT FOR YOU THEN! HOW'S THAT?

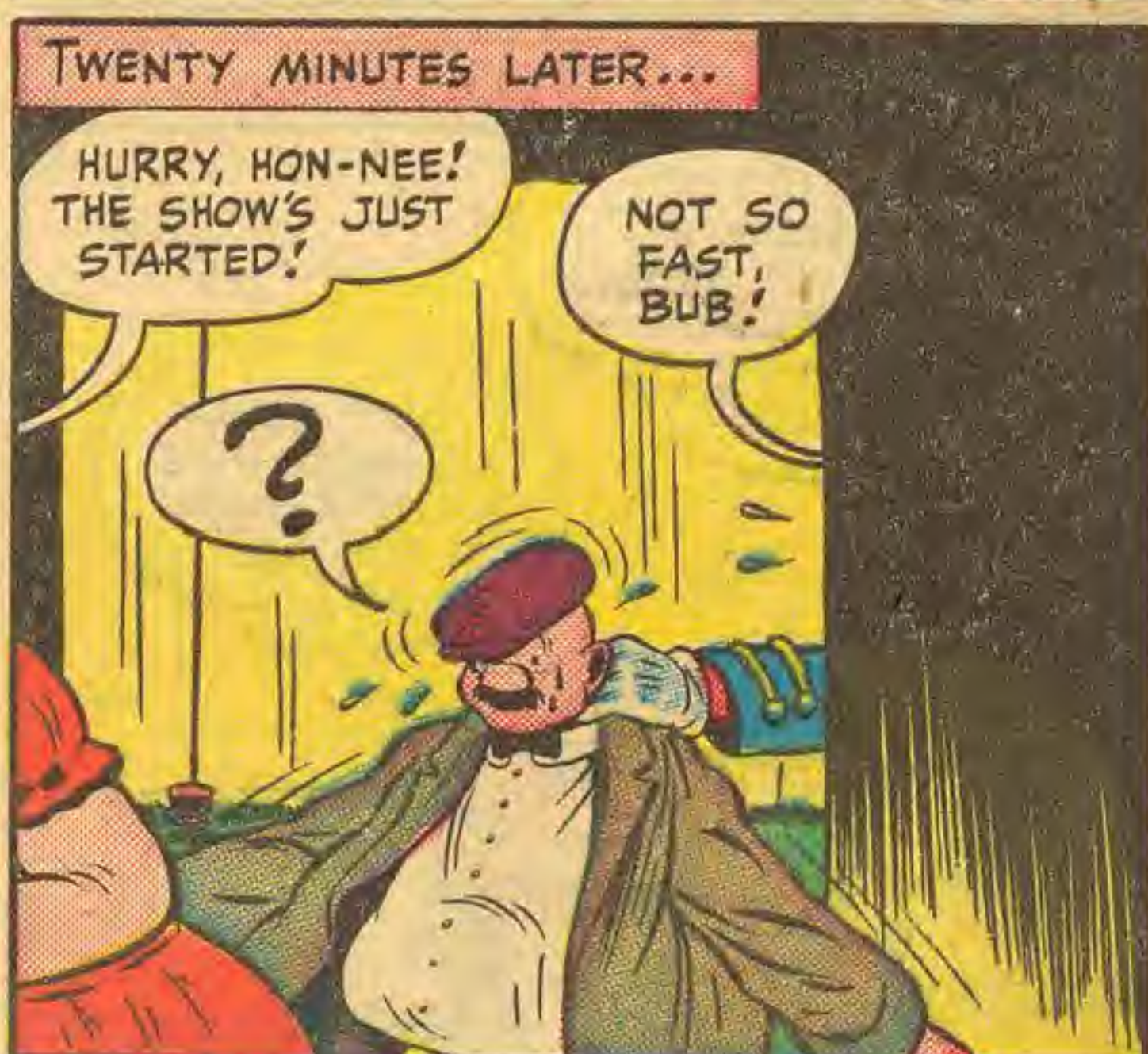
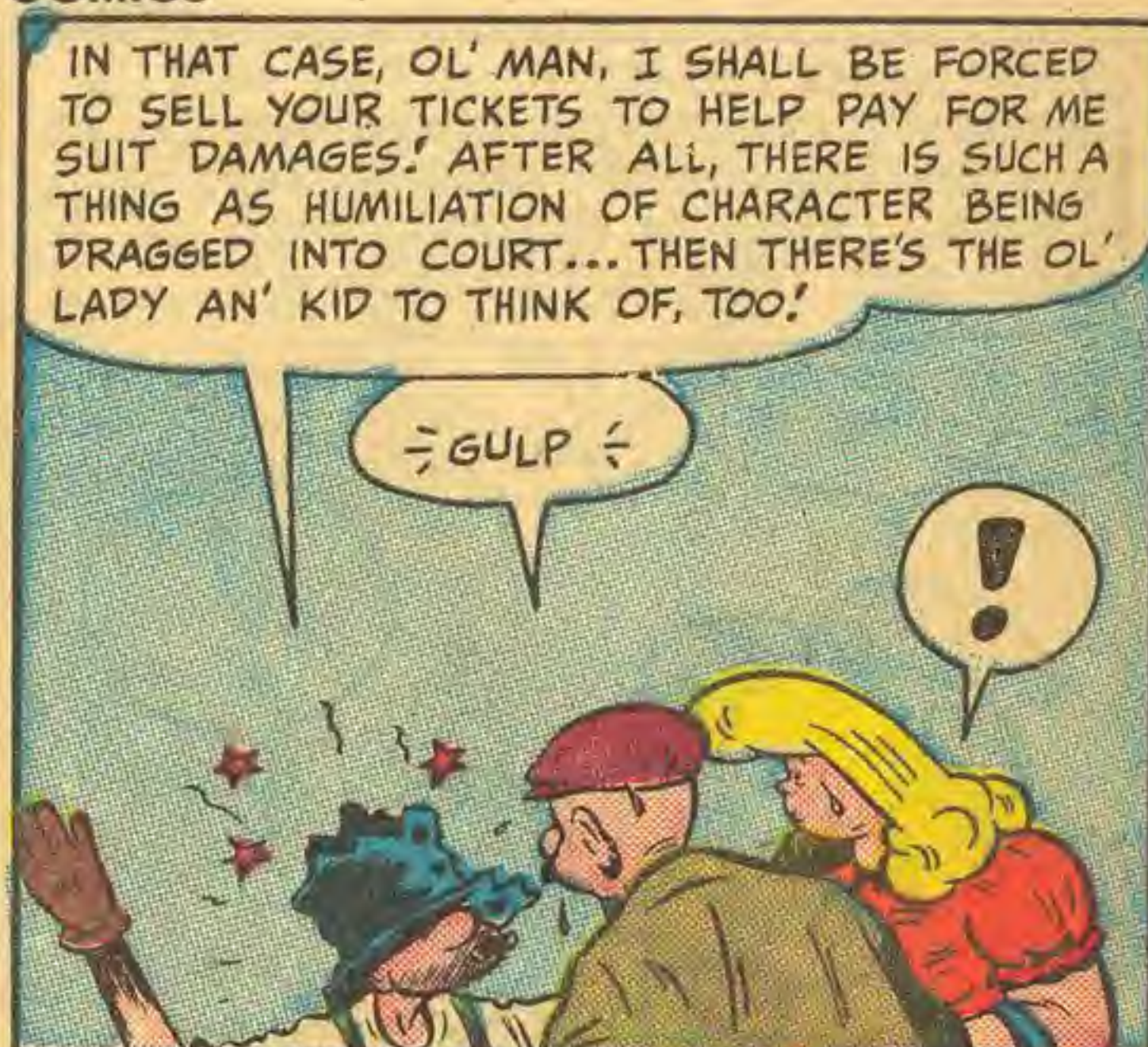
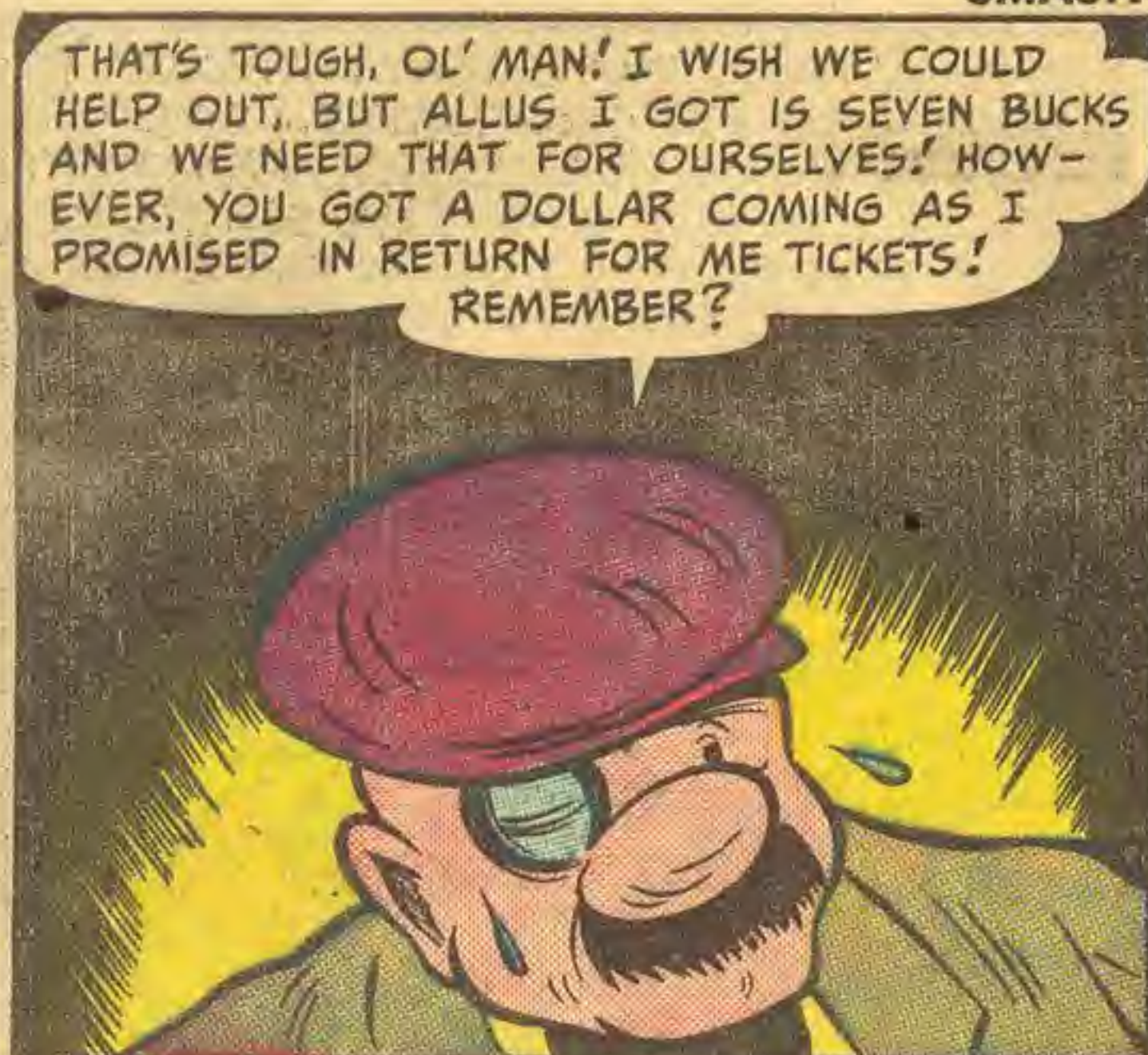
HOW DO I KNOW YOUSE'LL BE HERE? FOR ALLUS I KNOW, YOUSE MIGHT GET HIT BY A TRUCK IN THE MEANTIME...OR BETTER YET, SUFFER A FATAL THROMBOSIS OF THE ARTERIES THAT WOULD LEAVE ME WITH THE WIFE AND SICK BABY IN A FINE PICKLE, WITHOUT VICTUALS FOR THE REST OF OUR LIVES!





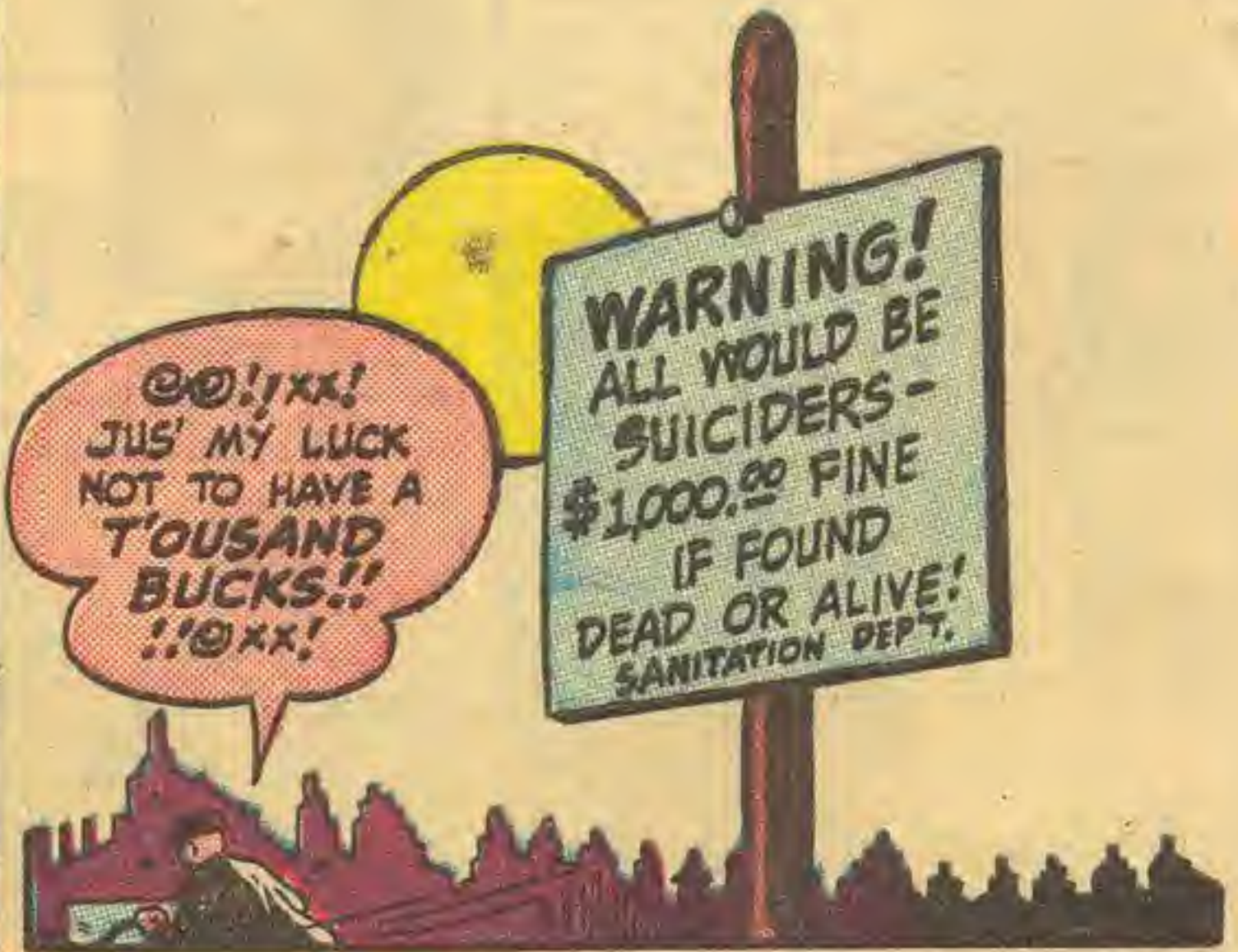
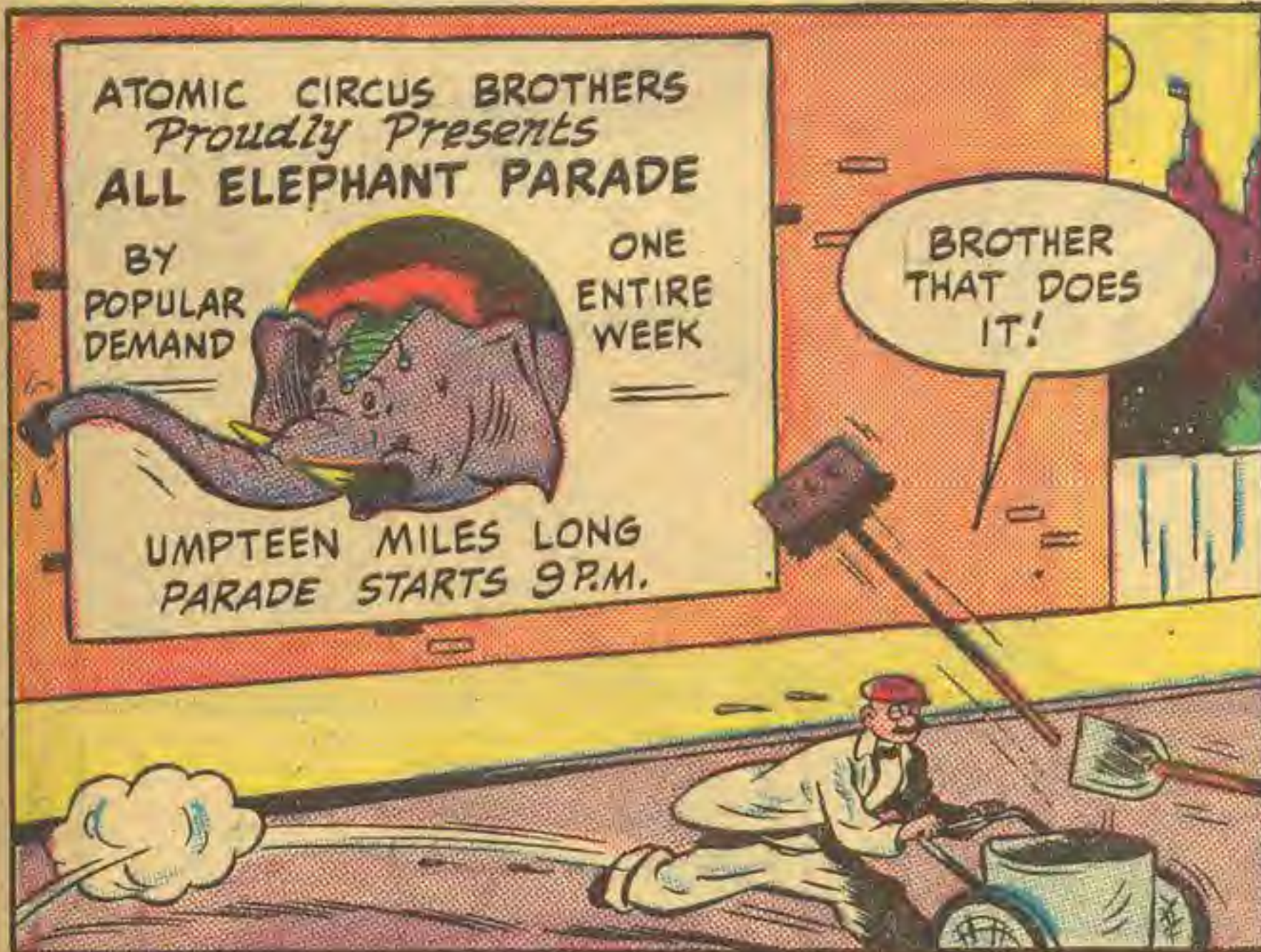
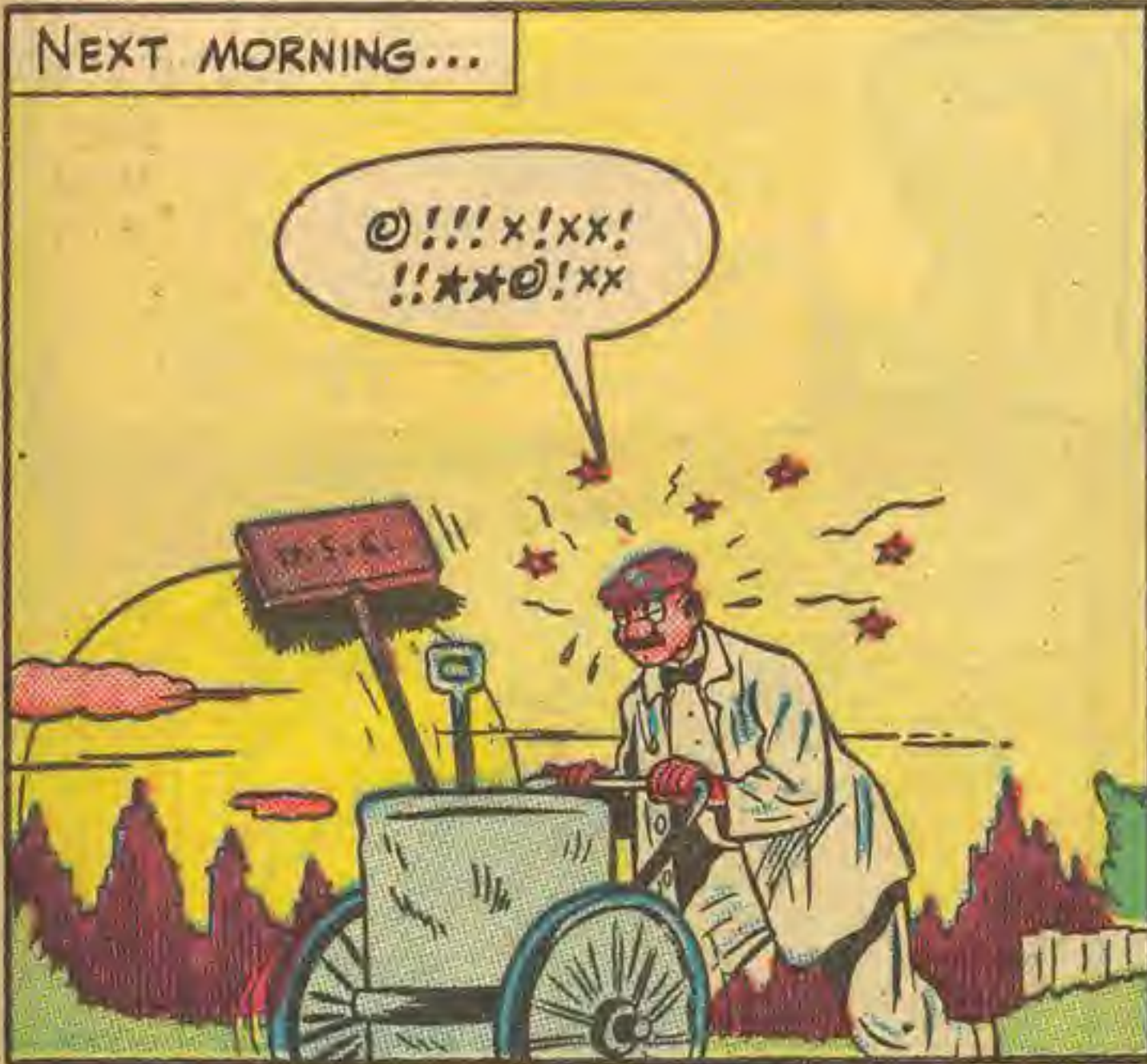








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Under cover of the night, Chuck Lane becomes the laughing, larruping foe of felony, the **JESTER!**

HMMM-- LET'S SEE! PERHAPS WE'D BETTER RE-ENACT THE CRIME!

I'M SORRY, DETECTIVE MCGINTY, BUT THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE! YOU SEE, WE WERE ALL ASLEEP!

AND LISTENING TO A TELEVISION PROGRAM? I DON'T GET IT!

MOVE ASIDE AND LET ME HAVE A TRY AT IT, MCGINTY!

LOOK! THE TELEVISION'S BACK ON!

AMAZING, FOLKS! HYPO'S ACT PUT THE WHOLE STUDIO STAFF TO SLEEP-- WE JUST WOKE UP AND HE SEEMS TO HAVE GONE!

I'VE HEARD OF SOMETHING LIKE THIS-- IN ENGLAND! A HYPNOTISM PROGRAM ON TELEVISION WAS SO SUCCESSFUL THEY TOOK IT OFF THE AIR! EVERYONE WENT TO SLEEP---

EVERYONE BUT THAT MAID TILLY! I CAN GET MORE JEWELRY, BUT WHERE CAN I GET ANOTHER SERVANT?

NOW, DON'T GET EXCITED-- IT'S A CINCINCH TO CRACK THIS CASE! ALL I HAVE TO DO IS FIND HYPO, THE MAID, AND THE LOOT!

FOR MCGINTY, THAT SHOULD BE LIKE SHOOTING FISH IN A BARREL! SO LONG, FOLKS!

ONE THING STICKS IN MY MIND! THAT GAL WHO HAD A LIMOUSINE WAITING FOR HER MUST HAVE BEEN TILLY! SHE SURELY KNEW ABOUT THE PROGRAM, WHAT WOULD HAPPEN, AND HOW SHE COULD PROFIT BY HYPO'S HYPNOTISM!

IN OTHER WORDS, IT WAS PLANNED AND PREMEDITATED FROM THE FIRST! TILLY AND HYPO MUST HAVE BEEN IN CAHOOTS!



AND WITH A HAUL LIKE THAT THEY WOULDN'T WANT TO TRAVEL FAR FOR FEAR OF HI-JACKERS! THEY'LL BE HIDING NEAR BY -- OH-OH!



YES, THE VERY LIMOUSINE! AND THAT SILHOUETTE IN THE WINDOW-- IT'S TILLY!



Inside...

THE WHOLE TOWN WILL BE LOOKING FOR A BRUNETTE GEM-THIEF --- SO I'M A BLONDE AGAIN!

RIGHT, TILLY! AND I SHED THIS CONVENIENT BEARD AND MOUSTACHE -- I'M NOT SO FASCINATING WITHOUT THEM BUT MUCH LESS NOTICEABLE!



AND WE CAN DIVIDE THIS FORTUNE IN SPARKLERS! SIXTY PERCENT TO ME AS BOSS OF THE JOB -- FORTY PERCENT FOR YOU, MY DEAR!



HOW DO I GET ON THE SHORT END? I HAD THE DANGEROUS ASSIGNMENT! WITHOUT ME, YOU WOULDN'T HAVE SEEN ANY OF THAT STUFF!

WHY, YOU UNGRATEFUL LITTLE STOOGES! IT WAS MY HYPNOTIC POWER THAT MADE THE THING POSSIBLE! SIXTY-FORTY, I SAY!

LET A THIRD PARTY DECIDE! I SAY NOTHING TO EITHER OF YOU, AND A LONG JAIL TERM TO GIVE YOU TIME TO THINK IT OVER!



I'VE SEEN EVERYTHING, HEARD EVERYTHING, AND I'LL PROVE EVERYTHING!



I'LL TURN MY POWER ON THIS INTERLOPER! LOOK AT ME, YOU CLOWN! YOU WILL SLEEP -- SLEEP --

SLEEP -- CLOSE YOUR EYES --

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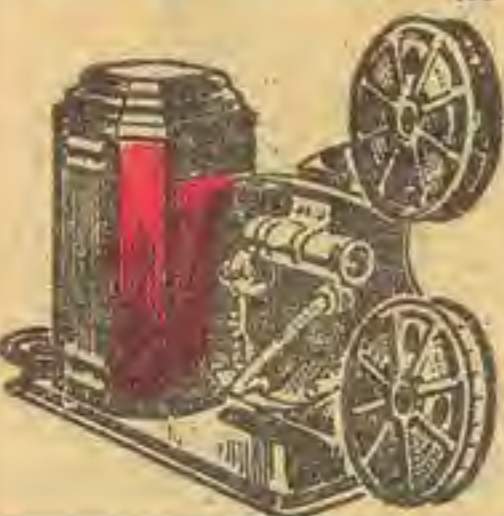


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